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FIRST ENGINEER ON RESERVOIR SPEAKS

H. A. Icke, Who Resigned Position, Makes Public Statement.

At last evening's meeting of the city council the following letter, addressed to Ald. Ross by H. A. Icke, the first engineer to be placed in charge of the Smith's Hill reservoir, was read:

"I resigned to avoid being responsible in any way for certain works and workmanship, the character of which I could not approve and which I had not the authority to alter. The occasion of my leaving was the commencement of the concrete lining of Smith's Hill Reservoir. While I had little confidence that even if every care was exercised in the execution of the work, that it would be entirely successful, I felt certain that if it was carried out as it had begun serious trouble would follow.

"With reference to what the water commissioner has said with regard to my not stating my reasons for my leaving, the commissioner well knew that I was dissatisfied in many ways, and when I called at his office to tell him that I wished to leave it was not my purpose to make any further fuss. On returning to Smith's Hill, however, and re-inspecting the work, I felt that it was my duty to state emphatically what I thought of the concrete. I thereupon, before going out to Elk Lake to square matters up there, rang up the water commissioner and told him that I did not approve of the character of the concrete and that he must consider the foreman responsible. I may say that the commissioner had dealt directly with the foreman all along.

"On leaving I went for a trip to California, and when in San Francisco I called at the consulting engineer's office and was prepared to tell him, for his own protection, what I thought of the work, but I found that he was then in Victoria. That I had correctly guaged the situation that it was useless for me to take any stand is, I think, fully borne out by the following facts: The consulting engineer visited the works immediately after my leaving and that although Mr. Kempke was appointed to succeed me, no improvement was made in the character of the work and the leakage is actually worse than I had expected."

This letter was written from the King Edward hotel the day previously and Ald. Ross explained that he supposed it was brought out in consequence of his reference to Mr. Icke's connection with the work at the last meeting of the streets, bridges and sewers committee of the council.

Mayor Hall was the only member of the board to offer any comment on the letter. His worship said that Mr. Icke, if his allegations were true, should have come to him and told him of what he suspected before he went away. He had, however, bade him good-bye and asked him for a recommendation to someone in California, which he had given him. He had never said a word to him about there being anything wrong at the reservoir.

Ald. Mable remarked that possibly Mr. Icke was not so sure then as now that there was anything wrong with the reservoir.

The letter was then received and filed.

Mr. Icke Interviewed.

Mr. Icke was seen by a Times reporter at the King Edward hotel this morning and asked if he had anything to add to the statement which he had handed to Ald. Ross. Mr. Icke said there were one or two misstatements which had been made which he wished to correct.

In regard to the observations of the mayor that he had not, when leaving, said anything about his dissatisfaction with the work being done at the reservoir, it was true that he had not mentioned it to the mayor at the time he was leaving, for the reason he did not want to go over the heads of the responsible officials. The day he felt he had tried to see the mayor at the office when he might have offered some reason for leaving so abruptly, but the mayor was not in his office and consequently he only had a few minutes' conversation with him on the street. Mr. Icke was asked if he had anything to add to the statement in his letter as read last evening, "the commissioner well knew that I was dissatisfied in many ways," but he did not care to amplify it. That statement, he said, was sufficiently clear.

Mr. Icke added that on returning to Victoria about the time that the reservoir was completed and when rumors were current that it was leaky he had gone to the mayor and told him all that he had ever told Mr. Raymur about the condition of the work as he saw it when it was being constructed.

Mr. Icke, who is an Englishman by birth, has had large experience in engineering works in England, South Africa and Canada. He was in charge of large waterworks projects in England and was engineer-in-charge of a huge waterworks scheme at Pietermaritzburg which cost £200,000. On times getting bad in South Africa, in consequence of the war he came to Canada and was divisional engineer in charge of the C. P. R.'s irrigation works in Alberta. Later he came to Victoria, and entered the employ of the corporation before Mr. Adams was

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STATEMENT BY CITY ENGINEER

CONTENDS COMPLAINTS NOT WARRANTED

Not Fault of His That Surface Drains Are Not Completed.

At last evening's meeting of the city council C. H. Topp forwarded a couple of communications setting out reasons why work had not progressed in certain sections of the city as he would have wished. He declared that the B. C. Electric Company had not maintained the section of their tracks running from Moss street to the cemetery according to promises.

Ald. Turner said that he in company with the city engineer had inspected May street and found it in bad condition. The car company had not done the work they ought to have done, and which they promised to do. He favored the company being notified to put the street in proper condition at once to the satisfaction of the city engineer, otherwise the city would do the job and charge the same to the company.

Ald. Henderson said he was glad that the city engineer had at last taken a firm stand in the matter of the condition of May street. He had called attention to the matter six months ago.

In a further communication the city engineer said:

"With regard to the numerous complaints emanating from the public and the press relative to the uncompleted condition of the surface drains during the recent rainstorms, I think it is only fair to myself to make known a few facts concerning these darinage improvements.

"In my preliminary report some years ago plans and estimates were prepared for some of the most necessary main surface drains. A by-law was then submitted to the ratepayers and defeated, consequently nothing could be done. Last year the estimate was again submitted to the council asking for $174,101, of this amount only $150,000 was sanctioned by the ratepayers in October, 1908, the outaly of which was intended, according to the by-law, to cover the cost of the main surface drains only. I have therefore confined my attention to the completion of the mains, and upon preparing a statement I find there is approximately $20,000 left for this work, entirely apart from the connections, and there still remains a considerable amount of work uncompleted on the mains in Victoria West, Moss street and the Work Estate.

"In my opinion if there are sufficient funds to complete the work which was intended in the by-law there will not be one cent available for the laterals and connections.

"I might also state that owing to the large demand on the Pottery company it has been found impossible to get sufficient pipe to carry out the work expeditiously.

"In conclusion I think in all fairness before such reports are brought before the public the facts relative to the matter should be more accurately ascrtained."

Ald. Raymond expressed the hope that this statement from the city engineer would be given due publicity by the press.

Mayor Hall said it was wrong to blame the city engineer for the lack of attention being given to the works he had mentioned. The city did not have the money. That was the long and short of it. It was not that the city engineer had not done work that he had been ordered to.

The letters were received and filed.

MANY SOLDIERS AT SCENE OF STRIKE

Report That Strikers Are Preparing to Attack the Militia.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Charlestown, W. Va., Dec. 7.—In a telegram to Governor Glasscock to-day Governor Harmon, of Ohio, says he has been informed that some of the strikers and strike sympathizers at Bridgeport, Ohio, have planned to congregate on upper Wheeling island, on the West Virginia side of the Ohio river, and from there to open fire on the Ohio militia stationed at Bridgeport.

Governor Glasscock has taken up the matter with the Sheriff of Wheeling, who is investigating. The commanding officers have been ordered to keep in touch with their companies so as to be ready to move on short notice.

The plants of the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company did not resume operations yesterday, as reported they would. There are 1,500 state troops here.

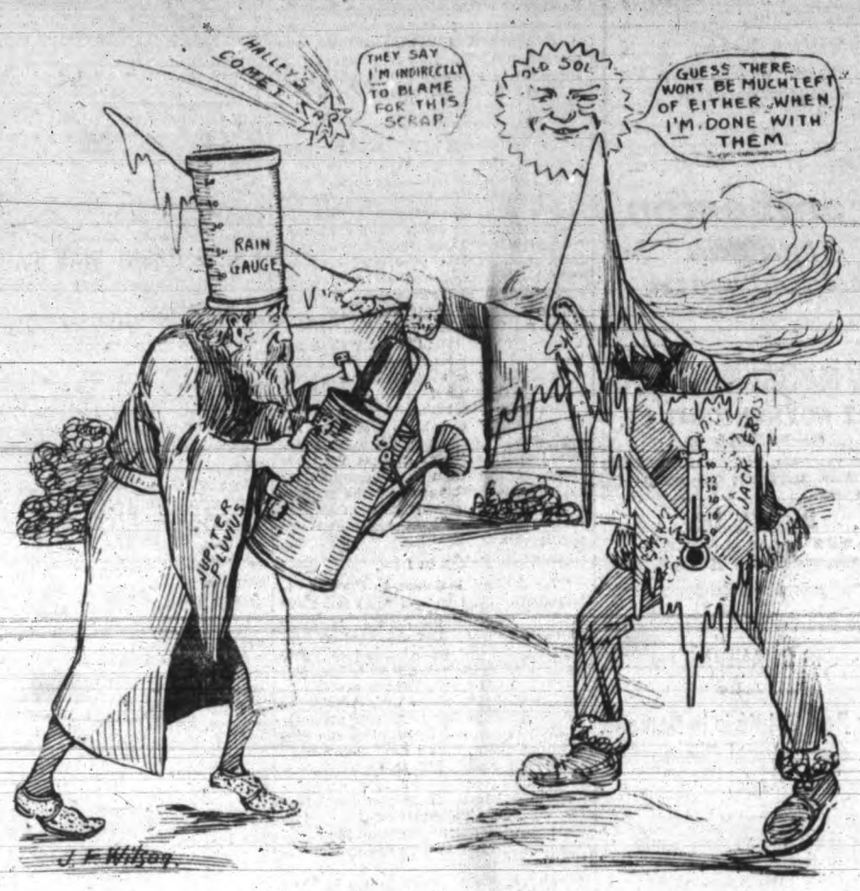
MRS. H. M. HOWELL DEAD.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—Mrs. H. M. Howell, wife of Chief Justice Howell, of Manitoba, died on Sunday evening at Pasadena, Cal.

PROSPERITY REIGNS.

New York, Dec. 7.—That industrial prosperity rules throughout the United States and that the business men of the country expect it to continue, is shown in reports from 3,000 representative firms, compiled by the National Association of Manufacturers and just made public here.



MEASURING STRENGTH!

HAS AN EYE ON OAK BAY

DANGER OF TAIL WAGGING THE DOG

Mayor Hall Scents a Conspiracy and Warns Council.

Mayor Hall took occasion at last evening's meeting of the city council to utter a warning about the possibility of the municipality of Oak Bay securing powers inimical to the city of Victoria. This reference was made when a communication was read from the city solicitors calling attention to a notice of a private bill which will be applied for by the municipality at the next session of the legislature. Among the powers sought was the right to license hacks, autos, tally-hos and other vehicles hired within or without the municipality and passing through the roads of that district. Another power sought was that of purchasing water and waterworks wheresoever situated and to make agreements for acquiring waterworks or water supply and power to construct and lay pipes from waterworks or from any point where water is to be supplied through any roads, streets or highways, whether provincial, municipal or private and full power to pass the by-laws for such purpose. The city solicitors pointed out that the powers sought by the municipality may seriously affect the jurisdiction of the city over its roads and streets and furthermore seriously affect the interests of the transportation companies of the city.

His Worship, on the letter being read, remarked that if this application were granted by the legislature it would mean that Oak Bay could "do practically what it liked with Victoria. It would be a case of the tail wagging the dog, all right." Continuing, the mayor said that the municipality if given the powers asked for would have the right to lay watermains right through the streets of Victoria from Victoria West, and nothing could be done to prevent them. It was decided to ask the city solicitor and the barrister to watch the city's interests in the matter.

The application of the W. C. T. U. for the sum of $500 which has been previously voted but refunded, was granted, it being explained by a deputation that the money was now needed to assist in paying for the building which has been acquired on Store street. The board was thanked in behalf of the deputation by Mrs. Willistcroft.

The salt water mains will be extended by running an eight-inch main on Government street from the present main on Herald stret down as far as Discovery street, if the necesary funds can be raised.

The contract for the supply of brass goods for the waterworks department will be awarded to the Victoria Machinery Depot at $2,710.80, provided the goods are made in Victoria. The contract for lead pipe was divided between A. Shret and the Colbert Plumbing & Heating company at $4.30 per cwt.

The cemetery committee will take into consideration the offer of William Irving to sell the city a site for cemetery purposes. He will sell 28 acres of land on the Cedar Hill road for $14,000 or 20 acres for $10,000.

On recommendition of City Treasurer Kent, James McL. Muirhead was appointed clerk in the treasurer's office on the permanent staff. H. E. Beasley, of the E. & N. company wrote, saying that the temporary walk over the railway bridge which had been constructed by the city encroaches on Mrs. Munn's property to the extent of three feet, and that the owner would be satisfied to let the bridge remain there if the city would give an undertaking that no claim would lie against the property. This undertaking will be given.

Thornton Fell, solicitor for Lemon, Gonnason & Co., and the Taylor Mill company, again asked the city to proceed to the execution of the lease of the foreshore which had been promised the milling companies. Mr. Fell pointed out that his clients did not ask the city to give any right which it did not possess, but they did insist that the council should be willing to go as far as it coud to living up to the terms of a former agreement.

Mayor Hall explained that the matter was now receiving the attention of the city barrister.

BLIZZARD SWEEPS SOUTHEASTERN ALASKA

Steamer Jefferson Reports Stormy Trip From the North.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Port Townsend, Wash., Dec. 7.—A fearful blizzard is sweeping over the coast of Southeastern Alaska, according to reports brought by the steamer Jefferson, arriving late yesterday. When the Jefferson was at Douglas roofs from several houses were blown off and other damage was done. A storm prevailed during the entire trip of the Jefferson down the Coast. Officers of the steamer say the storm was the severest during the season. The Jefferson encountered no ice except at one or two of the canneries on account of the ice.

TWO KILLED BY EXPLOSION OF BOILER

Driver of Express Wagon Who Was Passing Scene One of Victims.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 7.—Two men were killed and four others injured following the explosion of a boiler in the basement of a six story building at 102 Broadway, in the wholesale district here, late yesterday. One of the men killed was an expressman passing by on his wagon. The other victim and the injured were artisans employed in remodelling the building. The entire lower floors, which were vacant, collapsed.

BUDGET SPEECH IN COMMONS NEXT WEEK

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Hon. W. S. Fielding announced in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon that the budget speech will probably be delivered on Tuesday of next week. It is hoped to finish the debate on the budget before Christmas.

TICKET AGENT RESIGNS.

(Special to the Times.)

Winnipeg, Dec. 7.—A. C. Smith, the popular ticket agent of the C. P. R., has resigned to manage the Western Rubber Co.

CREW OF WRECKED STEAMER SAFE

VESSEL DRIVEN ASHORE ON CALIFORNIA COAST

First Mate of the Majestic Has Narrow Escape From Drowning.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Monterey, Cal., Dec. 7.—Captain E. Keegan and his crew of nine men from the wrecked steamer Majestic arrived at Monterey, 25 miles north of the scene of the disaster, late yesterday, and told the story of the wreck.

Captain Keegan said that he endeavored to keep his vessel 12 miles off shore, but the strong westerly current, combined with the wind, carried her toward the land. One blade of the propeller had been lost during a recent trip from Puget Sound, and in the steamer's crippled condition it was impossible to keep her on her course during the storm. The seas were breaking to a great height, and along the shore was a perpendicular bluff, toward which the vessel was rapidly driven, soon striking on the rocks.

At daylight a boat carrying a line succeeded in reaching the shore, but it was nearly four hours later before the crew was landed.

First Mate Trainor had a narrow escape from drowning. While climbing up the face of the bluff he fell a distance of 20 feet into the sea, but was rescued by the sailors at the risk of their lives.

The stranded steamer, which has been carried up on the rocks, lies under the bluff by the heavy seas, probably will be a total loss.

The Majestic was built only a year ago. She cost $150,000. The revenue cutter McCulloch has gone to the scene of the wreck and will attempt to float the stranded vessel.

The McCulloch reported having passed the tug Navigator with the lumber steamer Excelsior in tow off Davenports landing, making slow progress toward San Francisco. The Excelsior was driven ashore at Moss landing during the same gale that wrecked the Majestic, but was floated.

MINE OFFICIALS ACCUSED OF NEGLECT

Failure to Operate Cage Alleged to Have Been Responsible for Loss of Life.

Cherry, Ill., Dec. 7.—The testimony yesterday at the coroner's inquest into the St. Paul coal mine disaster, in which 200 lives were lost, was directed towards showing that officers of the mine had not made an early effort to rescue the miners.

Mrs. Jemima Miller, widow of a miner, testified that she had seen coal being hoisted from the mine as late as 2 o'clock, which, according to other testimony, was two or three hours after the fire was discovered.

George Jones, a carpenter, employed in the mine, testified that a hoisting cage that was supposed to be attached to the bottom of the main hoist to lift miners from the third vein in case of fire, was not attached. The alleged failure to keep the third vein cage in working order is said to have been directly responsible for the deaths of most of the men employed in the third vein level.

SNOWSTORMS ON PACIFIC COAST

SERIOUS DAMAGE REPORTED IN OREGON

Los Angeles Experiences Coldest Day in Thirty-two Years.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 7.—Snowstorms, accompanied by high winds and low temperatures, prevailed this morning along the greater extent of the Pacific coast. In this city snow began falling early in the morning, following a night of extremely high wind, and at noon the ground was covered with a light fall of flakes.

A blizzard struck Portland at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and continued with lessened intensity this morning, six inches of snow having fallen. The damage wrought in the city and the Willamette valley is estimated at several thousand dollars. All the telephone and telegraph wires to the south are down. The storm seems to be general over Oregon and Southern Washington. In Portland, the storm is the severest experienced in years and street car service to-day is all but tied up. The weather bureau predicts that the temperature will rise to-day and that by to-morrow normal conditions should prevail.

Reports from California show an unprecedented snowfall, eighteen inches being recorded throughout Shasta, Trinity and Siskiyou counties. The wind came up yesterday evening and the snow was reported last night to be drifting badly. Railroads and stage lines will be hampered by the drifts.

From Southern California comes reports of unusually cold weather. At Los Angeles yesterday the temperature dropped to a maximum of 45 degrees and a minimum of 31, which is said to be the coldest day in that city for 32 years, Pasadena and Redlands reported temperatures of 37 degrees. Mount Wilson is covered with 10 inches of snow and Mount Lowe six inches. In many places orchardists fought the frost with smudges all last night.

Dawson, Yukon, reports a temperature of 40 degrees below zero almost constantly for the past three weeks. This weather is unprecedented for so early in the season.

DROWNS HERSELF IN CISTERN.

Body of Missing Girl Found in Six Feet of Water.

Fishkill Landing, N. Y., Dec. 7.—The body of Margaret Dauerty, the Vassar student, who disappeared Sunday, was found late yesterday in the cistern of her father's home at Hudsonville.

Miss Dauerty, who was the daughter of Rev. William H. Dauerty, wandered away from the care of her friends yesterday morning. It was known that she had been forced to abandon her studies at Vassar because of mental strain due to overwork.

A detective found her body in six feet of water at the bottom of the cistern. Appearances indicated a carefully planned suicide, and no evidence of foul play was found.

AGENTS OF USURER FINED.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—Tessey Davaney and Josephine Lamoureux, who pleaded guilty while acting as agents of D. H. Tolman, to lending money at extortionate rates of interest, were yesterday fined $500 each, with the proviso that they remain in custody not more than three months if the fines are not paid. The sentence comes at the end of a long fight put up by Tolman to do usury business in Montreal.

GRAIN CARRIER GROUNDS ON SHOAL

Snowstorm Forces Number of Vessels to Remain in Port.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Soo, Mich., Dec. 7.—Steamer Wexford shortly after leaving New Ontario dock, on the Canadian side, early this morning, grounded on a shoal between the government and ferry docks on the same side of the river. Two tugs failed to move her as she is out three feet and will have to be lightened. She is loaded with grain from Fort William. A heavy snowfall has set in and vessels are lying up here rather than risk the heavy weather outside.

WOODSMAN KILLED.

Baker City, Ore., Dec. 7.—Thomas Gamble, a woodsman, is dead, with his body severed just below the waist line.

Gamble, while splitting logs yesterday, was using dynamite to aid him in the work when a stick of the explosive in his pocket ignited. Gamble was 53 years of age.

DESTRUCTIVE BLAZE.

Essex, Dec. 7.—Fire, probably caused by the explosion of a gasoline engine in Naylor's mill on Sunday, threatened for a time to destroy the entire village. The public electric light plant, a flour mill, and a sash and door factory, all owned by Naylor, were entirely destroyed. The total loss is estimated at $50,000, with insurance of about $10,000.

TWO BOYS DROWN.

Tweed, Ont., Dec. 7.—Two sons, aged 5 and 7, of Edward Kehoe, of Actinolite, about five miles from here, were drowned Sunday while skating on thin ice.

PRESIDENT TAFT'S FIRST MESSAGE

PROPOSED CONFERENCE ON FUR SEALING

New Tariff and Reform in Administration of Law Dealt With.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7.—President Taft's first regular annual message to congress was sent to that body to-day. It consists of about 20,000 words, and at that leaves for subsequent discussion in special messages the important subjects of anti-trust and interstate commerce legislation as well as legislation for further laws to promote the conservation of the natural resources. These questions are mostly referred to incidentally in the present message.

With regard to Nicaragua, President Taft refers to the "sad tale of the unspeakable barbarities and oppression alleged to have been committed by the Zelaya government," and to the fact that two Americans were recently put to death by order of Zelaya himself, and says that this government is proceeding "with deliberate circumspection" to determine the exact truth and the course to be pursued "most consistent with its dignity, its duty to American interests and its moral obligations to Central America."

"At the date when this message is printed this government has terminated diplomatic relations with the Zelaya government, and reasons made public in a communication to the former Nicaraguan charge d'affaires, and is intending to take such steps as will be found most consistent with its dignity, its duty to American interests and its moral obligations to Central America and to civilization. It later may be necessary for me to bring this subject to the attention of congress in a special message."

Sealing Problem.

The message in part is as follows:

"Negotiations for an international conference to consider and reach an arrangement providing for the preservation and protection of the fur seals in the North Pacific are in progress with the governments of Great Britain, Japan and Russia. The attitude of the governments interested leads me to hope for a satisfactory settlement of this question as the ultimate outcome of the negotiations.

"The question arising out of the Belgian annexation of the independent state of the Congo, which has so long and earnestly pre-occupied the attention of the government and enlisted the sympathy of our best citizens is still open, but in a more hopeful stage. The announced programmes of reform, while striking at many of the evils known to exist, are an augury of better things. The attitude of the United States is one of benevolent encouragement, coupled with a hopeful trust that the good work, responsibility undertaken and zealously perfected to the accomplishment of the results so ardently desired, will soon justify the wisdom that inspires them and will satisfy the demands of humane sentiment throughout the world."

Relations With Orient.

On the relations of the United States with the Orient the president says:

"In the Far East this government preserves its policy of supporting the principle of equality and opportunity and scrupulous respect for the integrity of the Chinese Empire, to which policy we pledged the interested powers of both East and West.

"Our traditional relations with the Japanese Empire continue cordial as usual. The arrangement for a co-operative control of the immigration of laborers to the United States has proved to work satisfactorily. The matter of a treaty between the United States and Japan, which is terminable in 1912 is already being studied by both countries.

"The actual cost to date of the Panama canal, which is now half done and which will be completed January 1, 1915, shows that the cost of engineering and construction will be $297,766,000 instead of $139,705,200 as originally estimated.

New Tariff Act.

"Two features of the new tariff act call for special reference. By virtue of the clause known as the 'Maximum and minimum' clause, it is the duty of the executive to consider the laws and practices of other countries with reference to the importation into those countries of the products and merchandise of the United States, the minimum duties provided in the bill are to go into force. Unless the president makes a finding, then the maximum duties provided in the bill, that is, an increase of 25 per cent. ad valorem over the minimum duties, are to be in force. Fear has been expressed that this power conferred on duty imposed on the executive is likely to lead to a tariff war. I beg to express the hope and belief that such need not be anticipated.

"The new tariff law enables me to appoint a tariff board to assist me in connection with the department of state, in the administration of the minimum and maximum clause of the act, and also to assist officers of the government in the administration of the entire law. An examination of the law and an understanding of the nature of the facts which has been considered in discharging the functions imposed upon the executive show that I have the power to direct the tariff

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—The Ladies' Aid of the James Bay Methodist church will hold their sale of work in the church during the afternoon and evening of Wednesday next (Dec. 8th.) Elaborate preparations have been made for the success of the occasion. Tea and cake will be served, and a large variety of goods sold.

—The Ladies' Guild of St. John's church are holding their Christmas sale this afternoon, where a number of pretty articles suitable for presents will be offered. Tea will be served in the afternoon. The bazaar will be opened at 3 o'clock by His Lordship Bishop Perrin. A concert will be held in the evening, at which Mrs. Briggs, Mrs. Moresby, Miss Brooker, Mrs. Hinton, Mr. Williams and Mr. Stanley Ard and others will take part.

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MUCH CITY PROPERTY IS CHANGING HANDS

Inside Real Estate is in Demand and Several Sales Made.

The demand for Victoria realty is steadily increasing, and especially in city business property. Yesterday a considerable quantity of local property changed hands, the principal sales being a $35,000 property on Government street to an English capitalist. The property is that occupied by the Great West Permanent Loan Company of Winnipeg. The deal was negotiated by F. Landsberg.

On Fort street Walter Chambers sold a lot with thirty feet frontage, opposite the old Philharmonic hall, for $15,000.

Real estate men report a steady inquiry for city real estate, and that many valuable properties are being considered by buyers.

—Cigar Makers' Benefit dance to-night, Broad St. hall. Admission $1.00.

—Turkish and goose shoot at Colwood hotel (Dan Campbell's), Sunday, December 12th, 1909. All live birds, raised on Albert Wales' farm.

—Miss Cooke requests that all contributions for Rev. J. Antel's Christmas hamper be sent to Mr. C. Holmes' paper warehouse, 620 Cormorant street, Monday, December 20th.

—Charlotte Corday, at the Empress theatre, a beautiful story of the French Revolution. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

—The public works department is in receipt of advices which show that not much damage, comparatively, was done by the recent floods to roads or bridges. The most serious damage was done in the vicinity of Ladysmith, and will require several weeks to remedy. Sooke bridge will be re-opened in a few days, as only the approaches were carried away.

—"Bird Life on Vancouver Island" is the title of a lecture to be delivered by H. F. Pullen at the Victoria West Methodist church on Wednesday, December 8th. The lecture, which is under the auspices of the Adult Bible class, will be illustrated by a large number of excellent slides prepared from photos taken by the lecturer. The lecture is free and the class hopes for a good attendance.

—Friends of Timothy O'Neill, who is supposed to have been residing on this coast for ten years' past, are looking for him. Supt. Hussey has a letter addressed "Tim O'Neill, care of the chief of police of Vancouver Island," from a cousin, Michael O'Neill, 112 Excelsior street, Ishpenning, Mich. Anyone knowing of Timothy's whereabouts is asked to communicate with the provincial police department.

—Extra to the usual performance the Empress theatre are showing for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Charlotte Corday. Don't miss it.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Pittsburg, Dec. 7.—Myrtle Johnson, 5 years old, was burned to death and her mother and two young brothers were fatally burned yesterday in a fire which destroyed their home at Connellsville, Pa.

ELECTED MAYOR OF REGINA.

Regina, Dec. 7.—Richard H. Williams was yesterday elected by acclamation mayor of Regina.

MOTORING DISTANCES.

The following shows the distances from Victoria of different points on Vancouver Island:

	Miles
Alberni	113
Colwood	8
Cowichan	36
Chemainus	52
Duncan	40
Goldstream	11
Ladysmith	59
Nanaimo	72
Shawnigan	27

PRESIDENT TAFT'S FIRST MESSAGE

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board to make a comparative glossary and encyclopedia of the terms used and articles embraced in the tariff and secure information as to the cost of production of such goods in this country and the cost of their production in foreign countries. I have, therefore, appointed a tariff board consisting of three members and have directed them to perform all the duties above described.

Army and Navy.

"In the interest of economy and because of the prospect of a deficit, I have required a reduction in the estimates of the war department for the coming fiscal year which brings the total estimates down to an amount $45,000,000 less than the corresponding estimates for last year. This could only be accomplished by cutting off new projects and suspending for the period of one year all progress in military matters. For the same reason, I have directed that the army shall not be recruited up its present authorized strength. These measures can hardly be more than temporary.

"Owing to the necessity for economy in expenditures, I have directed the curtailment of recommendations for naval appropriations so that they are $38,000,000 less than the corresponding estimates of last year and the request for new naval construction is limited to two first class battleships and one repair vessel.

Delays in Law.

"The deplorable delays in the administration of civil and criminal law have received the attention of committees of the American Bar Association and many state bar associations as well as the considered thought of judges and jurists. In my judgment a change in the judicial procedure with a view to reducing its expense to private litigants in civil cases and facilitating the dispatch of business and final direction in both civil and criminal cases constitutes the greatest need in our American institutions. I do not doubt for one moment that much of the lawless violence and cruelty exhibited in lynchings are directly due to the uncertainties and injustice growing out of the delays in trials, judgments and the executions thereof by our courts. The procedure in the federal courts should furnish an example for the state courts. I, therefore, recommend legislation providing for the appointment by the president of a commission with authority to examine these laws and equity procedure of the federal courts of first instance, the law of appeals from these courts to the Courts of Appeals and to the Supreme court and the costs imposed in such procedure on the private litigants and upon the public treasury and make recommendation with a view to simplifying and expediting the procedure as far as possible and making it as inexpensive as may be for the litigant of little means."

Injunctions.

Recommending that legislation be adopted to carry out the platform pledges with regard to injunctions, the president says:

"The ends of justice will best be met and the chief cause of complaint against ill-considered injunctions without notice will be avoided by enactment of a statue forbidding hereafter the issuing of any injunction for restraining order, whether temporary or permanent, by any federal court without previous notice and a reasonable opportunity to be heard on behalf of the parties to be enjoined; unless it shall appear to the satisfaction of the court that the delay to give such notice and hearing would result in irreparable injury to the complainant and unless also the court shall from the evidence, make a written finding which shall be spread on the court findings that immediate and irreparable injury is likely to ensue to the complainant and shall define the injury, state why it is irreparable and shall also enforce upon the order issued the date and the hour of the issuance of the order. Moreover, every such injunction or restraining order issued with previous notice and opportunity by the defendant to be heard should by force of the statute, expire and be of no effect after seven days from the issuance thereof, or within any time less than that period which the court may fix, unless within such seven days or such less period the injunction or order is extended or renewed after previous notice and opportunity to be heard.

"My judgment is that the passage of such an act, which really embodies the best practice in equity and is very like the rule now in force in some courts will prevent the issuing of ill-advised orders of injunction without notice and will render such orders when issued much less objectionable by the short time in which they may remain effective.

Postal Savings Banks.

The President, in calling attention to the big postal deficit, recommends the idea of making magazines and periodicals pay a higher rate of postage than one cent a pound, the average cost of the transportation of this matter being more than nine cents a pound. He adds:

"The second subject worthy of mention in the post office department is the real necessity and entire practicability of establishing postal savings banks. It has been proposed to delay the consideration of legislation establishing a postal savings bank until after the report of the monetary commission. This report is likely to be delayed, and properly so, because of the necessity for careful deliberation and close investigation. I do not see why the one should be tied up with the other. It is understood that the monetary commission have looked into the systems of banking which now prevail abroad and have found that by a control there exercised in respect to reserves and the rates of exchange by some central authority, panics are avoided. It is not apparent that a system of postal savings banks would in any way interfere with a change to such a system here. Certainly, in most of the countries in Europe where control is thus exercised by a central authority, postal savings banks exist and are not thought to be inconsistent with a proper financial and banking system.

Territory of Alaska.

"With respect to the territory of Alaska, I recommend legislation which shall provide for the appointment by the President of a governor and also of an executive council, the members of which shall, during their term of office, reside in the territory, and which shall have legislative powers sufficient to enable it to give to the territory local laws adapted to its present growth. I strongly deprecate legislation looking to the election of a territorial legislature in that vast district.

"White Slave Trade."

"I regret to have to say that the investigations made in the bureau of immigration and other sources of information lead to the view that there is urgent necessity for additional legislation and greater executive activity to suppress the recruiting of the ranks of prostitutes from the streams of immigrants into this country, an evil, which for want of a better name, has been called 'The white slave trade.' I believe it to be constitutional to forbid, under penalty, the transportation of persons for purposes of prostitution across national and state lines, and by appropriating a fund of $50,000 to be used by the secretary of commerce and labor for the employment of special inspectors it will be possible to bring those responsible for this trade to indictment and conviction under a federal law."

KNEW BASIN WAS FAULTY

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given charge of the work of constructing the reservoir.

Asked if, in his opinion, it would cost a large sum to repair the faults which had been discovered in the reservoir, Mr. Icke said: a considerable sum would have to be expended, but the important thing for the city to look after in his opinion was to see that the work was done properly, as if another mistake were made the blunder would prove disastrous.

Adams Sending Letter.

Water Commissioner Raymur last evening received an answer to his telegram acquainting Arthur L. Adams, of San Francisco, with the condition of the Smith's Hill reservoir and the council's hope that he would come to Victoria at his own expense and endeavor to make good. Mr. Adams expresses an intention to come here and says he is writing. This letter, which should reach here in a day or two, is, no doubt an explanatory statement of Mr. Adams' position in the matter.

GAMBLERS FINED.

Toronto, Dec. 7.—Herbert Pollock, a barber, and George Bishop, a cook, were each fined $50 and costs yesterday by Police Magistrate Denison for keeping an alleged gambling house on Yonge street. Thirteen other men who were found in the place were each fined $20 and costs.

SHE, TOO, HAD ACHED.

"Elfleda, for six months I have been just aching to tell you how much I love you."

"O, Guy, I've been aching longer than that to hear you say it."—Detroit Free Press.

NEVER FORGETS 'EM.

"Maude is continually giggling. She seems to have an ever-present sense of humor."

"Not at all. What she has is simply an ever-present consciousness of dimples."—Boston Transcript.

"Let's go in and hear Prof. Bilker lecture this evening."

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"The cost of living."

"Shucks! What does he know about that? He makes other people pay the cost of his living."—Chicago Tribune.

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CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION.

Local Organization Selects Delegates to Go to Kamloops.

The Victoria Conservatives last night met in Broad street hall and elected 46 delegates to the provincial Conservative convention to be held at Kamloops on Friday and Saturday next. The city Conservatives are entitled to be represented by the four members, with delegates for each member, and the president and vice-president of the local association. Those who were chosen are: Hon. Richard McBride, H. B. Thomson, M. P. P., Fred Davey, M. P. P., H. F. W. Behnsen, M. P. P., R. F. Green, Capt R. G. Tatlow, J. S. H. Matson, C. S. Baxter, C. H. Ellicott, C. L. McCammon, E. E. Leeson, H. H. Maloney, J. L. Tait, J. Dean, Frank Davey, W. E. Stancland, E. A. Lewis, A. C. Burdick, S. Douglas, A. Babbington, M. M. McCabe, Capt. McIntosh, A. Berwick, C. M. Cookson, R. Drake, E. Bragge, A. Monteith, J. Baker, M. Carlin, Guy Walker, Dr. Sparrow, A. H. Maynard, Henry Doyle, J. A. Aikman, W. H. Price, W. T. Hardaker, W. Blakemore, N. Nicholson, G. Penketh, D. S. Tait, Wm. Lorimer, W. Scott, J. W. Bolden, Marsh Gordon, Lorne S. Bell and J. Haggerty. Alternatives: F. S. Barnard, D. M. McDowall, H. Cuthbert, J. B. McCallum, Watson Clark, G. H. Rhodes, F. Bittancourt, H. H. Macdonald, R. Eccles, J. C. Sproule, A. Dumbleton, J. W. Morris, P. R. Fleming, J. Mortimer, Stewart Williams, S. Greenwood, E. E. C. Johnson, W. H. P. Sweeney and J. Robinson.

R. F. Green, H. D. Helmcken, K. C., and A. E. McPhillips, K. C., addressed the gathering.

FIRE CHIEF DEAD.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Chief Provost, of the fire brigade, died yesterday, aged 55 years. He was formerly sub-chief of the Montreal fire brigade. He had been suffering from liver trouble for some time, but his death was unexpected.

ONE PA DIDN'T ANSWER.

Little Willie—Say, pa?

Pa—What is it, son?

Little Willie—If the earth was destroyed while a man was up in an aeroplane, where would he land when he came down?—Chicago News.

Wife—Why did you tell the Jensons that you married me because I was such a good cook, when you know that I can't even boil a potato?

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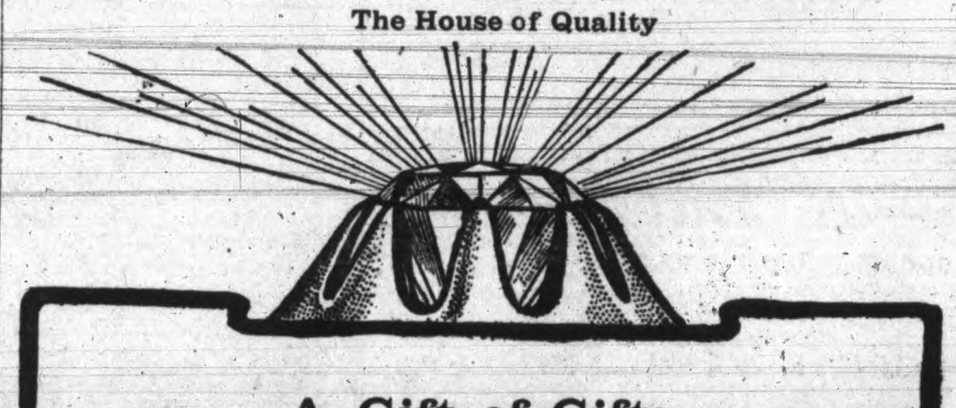

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NAVAL DEFENCE OF THE EMPIRE

AUSTRALIA TO PROVIDE FLEET UNIT

New Zealand Will Supply Dreadnought to the British Navy.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—The official report of the Imperial Defence conference has been received here. It contains the correspondence between Great Britain and Australia and New Zealand, which was not contained in the Canadian bluebook.

It was provisionally arranged that Australia should provide a fleet unit to consist of one armored cruiser of the new Indomitable type, three unarmored cruisers of the Bristol type, six destroyers of the river class, and three submarines, C class. The vessels are to be manned as far as possible by Australian officers and seamen. The members required to make up the full complement for immediate purposes should be lent by the Royal Navy. In peace time, and while on the Australian station, this fleet unit would be under the exclusive control of the commonwealth as regards their government and general administration, but officers and men should be governed by regulations and be under naval discipline, and when with vessels of the Royal Navy the senior officer should take command of the whole. Further, when placed at the disposal of the admiralty, the Commonwealth Australian fleet unit should form a part of the eastern fleet of the empire, to be composed of similar units of the Royal Navy, to be known as the China and West Indies units respectively and the Australian unit. The initial cost of such unit is placed at £3,695,000. The annual cost, inclusive of all charges would be £600,000, and a further additional sum would have to be added in view of the higher rates of pay, etc., in Australia, making an estimated total of £750,000. Until such time as the commonwealth can take over the whole cost the imperial government should assist the Australian government with an annual contribution of £250,000.

New Zealand's proposal is contained in a letter from Sir Joseph Ward, in which he says, while discussing the fleet unit question:

"If Canada found herself able also to come into this agreement her contribution to the Pacific station would be a fourth unit."

"I favor," he continued, "one great Imperial navy, with all the overseas dominions contributing either in ships or money and with naval stations at the self-governing dominions supplied with ships by and under control of the admiralty. However, realize the difficulties and recognize that Australia and Canada in this important matter are doing that which their respective governments consider to be the best, but the fact remains that the alteration that will be brought about upon the establishment of an Australian unit will alter the present position with New Zealand."

Recognizing that New Zealand's interest will be represented by the Australian fleet unit, Sir Joseph says that while the most friendly feeling exists between the two countries some provision should be made to have the direct contribution of New Zealand to the British Navy maintained in some concrete form. New Zealand will supply a Dreadnought to the British navy, the ship to be under complete control of the admiralty. He considers it satisfactory that it is to be the flagship of the China Pacific unit, and adds the opinion that a portion of this unit should remain in New Zealand waters.

"I fully realize," he says, "that the creation of specific units, one in the east, one in Australia, if possible, one in Canada, would be a great improvement upon the existing condition of affairs."

He desires to see the vessels stationed in New Zealand waters manned by New Zealanders, but local rates of pay should be given.

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KING GEORGE AGAIN TALKS OF ABDICATING

Ruler of Greece Greatly Depressed by Recent Events in His Country.

Berlin, Dec. 7.—King George of Greece has once more announced that he is tired of his throne.

The King, who is sensitive to the extreme, cannot overcome the fact that his sons have been forced to quit the army and navy. This has led him to believe that the Crown Prince never will be allowed to ascend to the throne after once having been excluded from the country's service. Court officers are trying to dissuade his majesty from abdicating.

King George made all preparations to abdicate last August and only gave up the idea when he received a message from King Edward imploring him not to take the step, and thereby avoiding great political complications. Close friends of the Grecian King, however, say that he is greatly depressed over the recent turn of affairs in his country, and firmly believes that unless he abdicates he will be deposed.

EFFECTS OF RACE MEETING AT VICTORIA

Member for City Speaks on Bill to Suppress Race Track Gambling.

Ottawa, Dec. 7.—Mr. Miller's Bill to amend the criminal code so as to suppress bookmaking and the general evil of gambling on racetracks, yesterday, was read a second time and referred to a special committee of the house.

Two of the strongest speeches in support of the proposed measure were delivered by Mr. Cowan, Vancouver, and Mr. Barnard, Victoria. The latter said there had been a protracted race meeting last summer near Victoria, the effect of which, according to his observation, had been detrimental, commercially as well as morally. The State of California had prohibited gambling on race tracks, with the result that a gang of "thugs" and "touts" had poured into British Columbia.

HORSE RESERVE PROPOSED

London, Dec. 7.—A military correspondent of the Pall Mall Gazette suggests that the war office establish a Canadian reserve of 50,000 horses, including 5,000 trained remounts for the cavalry at a cost of $500,000 a year.

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GOLD SEEKERS HAVE DISAPPEARED

Party Believed to Have Fallen Into the Hands of Hostile Indians.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 7.—Fearing that a party of eight Americans and fifty Mexicans have fallen into the hands of Seri Indian renegades, Americans at Nogales are to-day preparing a petition to send to the governor of Sonora, in which he is asked to send a regiment of soldiers and a gunboat to the Tiburon island in the Gulf of California.

It is believed that the party has fallen victims to the same tribe of Indians that killed Prof. Thomas Grindell several years ago when the scientist was heading a party to explore the island.

The present expedition left Bisbee, Mexico, over a month ago and nothing has been heard from it since. It is believed that they carried only sufficient provisions for twenty days. The party left for the island in a sloop, where they expected to discover rich mines.

As the weather has been calm, it is deemed impossible that they perished in a storm and it is feared that the party have fallen into the hands of the hostile Indians.

LUMBERMEN TO MEET IN VANCOUVER

Question of Regulation of Prices Will Be Discussed at Convention.

Vancouver, Dec. 7.—Western Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, mountain and coast sawmill men will meet in conference here on Friday next. A variety of topics of interest to the trade will be discussed. It is significant that this is the first time that the spruce and pine lumber interests of Western Ontario and the prairie provinces—hitherto a disturbing factor in the maintenance of prices—have accepted an invitation to come to the coast.

The conference was called by the B. C. Lumber and Shingle Manufacturers' Association, better known as the Coast Association. At the conclusion of the deliberations the visitors will be entertained at a banquet.

Forty delegates, of whom the Ontario and prairie millmen are expected to contribute a dozen, will be in attendance from the interior as members of the Mountain Lumber Manufacturers' Association. This is exclusive of the coast delegation.

The question of the regulation of prices will, it is understood, be one of the principal questions down for consideration. It is admitted that present prices are on the whole quite satisfactory. On November 24th the coast mills advanced the price of lumber $1 per thousand. An agreement is expected to be reached before adjournment.

Arrangements will be made to send a strong deputation to Ottawa to oppose legislation now being sought by fire insurance companies.

The odd lengths standard now being sought by the lumber manufacturers of Canada and the United States will also receive attention. The adoption of a uniform standard for all the western manufacturers will be urged by various delegates. Representations in favor of making changes in the grading system will also be made.

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MANCHURIAN RAILWAY ZONE.

China Protests Against Russia's Claims to Administration.

Pekin, Dec. 7.—The Chinese government has sent a circular note to the powers protesting Russia's claims to the right of administration over the Manchurian railway zone. The protest deals at length with the Russian communique, which was sent to the powers on October 8th and which was formally handed to the Chinese foreign board a month later by M. Kokovsoff, Russian minister of finance. The communique had to do with Russian intentions regarding railway zones in Manchuria and the protest declares that it is a violation of the Portsmouth treaty as well as the Harbin agreement of May, 1909.

THE KING AWARDED PRIZES.

London, Dec. 7.—King Edward was yesterday awarded four first prizes for his exhibits at the Smithfield cattle show. The announcement of his Majesty's success brought out a fact which is not generally known, namely, that King Edward is a tenant farmer, not a landlord, and pays a large sum every year in rent and taxes for his holdings.

Each British torpedo boat carries 25 tons of oil fuel, and is capable of travelling 26 knots per hour. The crew of each numbers 25 officers and men.

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BOARD OF CONTROL AND CIVIC REFORM.

The Times has the most profound respect for the opinions of ex-Ald. Hanna, notwithstanding the contempt that worthy gentleman expresses for our views and the views of a correspondent who at least possesses the faculty of placing his thoughts before his readers in coherent terms. Although reduced to a condition of comparative mental subjection by the cutting lash of Mr. Hanna, between winces may we be permitted to reiterate our previously expressed opinion that a board of control for the city of Victoria might simply prove an aggravation of the evil from which we have long been suffering—a minimum of civic efficiency at a maximum of cost. That has been our experience in almost every civic or semi-civic undertaking—in the management of purely municipal matters and in the conduct of the fall fair and the Jubilee Hospital. If we thought for a moment that a board of control placed over the city council would prove a cure for the dry rot that has overtaken us, we should hold up both hands for it. But we do not think Victoria has quite reached the stage which calls for the creation of such a board with the added cost of administration. The state of things is so apparent now that we believe the present machinery in competent hands will be amply sufficient for dealing with it. This we say without intending any reflection whatever upon the present city council. The creation of a board of control would be a reflection upon the council and the men who are offering themselves for the mayoralty. But if the citizens think a board of control is necessary to cope with the situation and to initiate the necessary reforms, give them the opportunity to authorize the creation of such a board. Any authority which sets itself to the task of reform will have our hearty support.

SHADOW OF THE SUFFRAGETTE.

There is an antidote for the Suffragette, not only in England where the political atmosphere seems extremely favorable to the species, but also in the United States, where the militant wing of it has made little progress. The British view of the movement was expressed by Mr. Ralph Bond in a speech delivered before the Women's Canadian Club of Victoria yesterday. The American idea was still more emphatically indicated by a lady speaking in New York a few weeks ago. The latter speaker was franker and more emphatic than Mr. Bond. She said not only did the women of the United States not hunger and thirst for the franchise, but she doubted whether they were capable of exercising it intelligently and in the true interests of the country. The lady lecturer went even farther than that. She held that notwithstanding conventional expressions of abstract sentiments the women were after all not a whit better morally than the men, that if they attended diligently to the duties Nature had specially set apart for them their talents and their time would be fully occupied. Besides, the women were encroaching too far upon the sphere of the male sex already. If they continued along the road they were at present travelling the time was not far distant when the bulk of the business of the world would be laid upon their shoulders—and the men would then be in reality what too many of them assumed to be now, the "lords of creation."

The lecturess wound up her speech with this timely, if somewhat homely admonition: "For goodness sake let us leave something for the men to do!"

The subject is too delicate a one for the Times to take sides upon. Our opinion of the Suffragette movement is purely private, reserved specially for fireside introspection, but we believe it is safe to go this far: that even if the franchise were extended to the women of Great Britain the danger of the downfall of the Empire would not be materially increased. The strong-minded females who think they ought in all things to be placed on an equality with the male portion of creation and have an equal voice in the government are in a very small minority. The great majority of women, speaking from experience in Canada, would not cast votes even if they had them. But of course Canadians, male and female, are a very busy people. They have much more important things to think about and problems to work out, principally relating to their household affairs, than the galling yoke laid upon their shoulders by the tyrant man. Is it not a fact that the major part of the English Suffragettes are of what is known as "the leisured class?" If it were not for the conditions we have voluntarily imposed upon ourselves, previously mentioned, we might be inclined to quote the words of that old admonitor of other days to the effect that an individual once accepted as a very real factor in affairs moral and immoral, material and immaterial, "finds some mischief still for idle hands to do."

In short, the British Suffragettes mean well, but their energies, unfortunately, have been directed into wrong channels.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE AND CANADIAN AUTONOMY

President Taft's message to Congress is not couched in quite so vigorous terms as the annual deliverances to which the late president had accustomed us. But it may prove quite as effective as a direction to the legislature. It covers a multitude of subjects, some of them of direct interest to Canadians.

The most notable feature of the first Taft message, from our point of view, is the tentative confession it contains that the executive authority is not quite sure as to the manner in which the maximum and minimum features of the Payne tariff are to be applied and seems to be somewhat apprehensive as to their possible effects after they shall be applied. The matter is evidently considered a very delicate one; it is not going to be dealt with without very careful consideration of possible results.

Some of the Senators and Congressmen who advocated the passage of the measure at the last session of Congress, while they did not say so bluntly, were evidently of the opinion that immediately the law went into force the United States would be dictating the fiscal policy of the whole commercial and industrial world. President Taft advocates going about the business of enforcement cautiously, although he professes not to see how such enforcement could be provocative of a tariff war with any country. But there are statesmen who hold contrary views—and some of these statesmen have not hesitated to give expression to their opinions.

Some of the public men of the republic and a considerable number of the newspapers have said that the enforcement of the Payne law must inevitably provoke a tariff conflict with Canada, for instance, although as matters stand at the present time the so-called balance of trade between the two countries is as three to one in favor of the exporters of the United States. In proportion to population the Dominion is the best customer of the republic. Further than that, and not relatively, but actually, Canada, after Great Britain and Germany, is the chief purchaser of the products of the United States. In fact, the commercial relations of the United States with Canada are considered of such great and growing importance that the possibility of the enforcement of the maximum provisions of the Payne law against us, with its effects upon Canadian public opinion, has induced two of the most influential newspapers in the United States, one in New York and the other in Chicago, to establish news bureaus for the first time in our history at the capital of the Dominion for the purpose of noting the trend of public opinion and keeping the people of the United States informed upon it.

President Taft is going to have a commission to assist him in determining, after due inquiry, the nations which in their treaty relations with other nations discriminate against the United States. To the countries which are held to discriminate will be applied the penalties of the maximum tariff. Canada has a treaty with France which may be held to accord more favorable treatment to the products of that country than to imports from the United States. We give a trade preference to Great Britain, which we hold we have a perfect right to do, being a portion of the British empire. Any attempt to apply coercion in such a case most of us would consider an impertinence. The decision of the Taft tariff commission must therefore be considered a matter of vital importance. From the remarks of leading men on both sides of politics in the Canadian Parliament it is evident that the attitude of the United States tariff commission will not have the slightest effect in inducing us to modify either the French treaty or the preference accorded Great Britain. We are a self-governing country, and will not tolerate any attempt of a foreign power, however important, to dictate our fiscal policy. We desire the most friendly relations with the United States. An interchange of trade between two countries lying contiguous to each other and having a boundary three thousand miles in length cannot but be beneficial to the interests of the people of both countries. But Canadians are not likely to abrogate the right to fix the terms upon which they shall conduct business with that adjacent country and with every other country seeking to do and to increase business with them. From what we have seen of the utterances of some of the leading statesmen of the United States and of the advice the leading newspapers of the republic have been giving to the said public men, we do not think the maximum provisions of the Payne bill will be applied to Canada on the date fixed for the law to go into force, the first day of March, 1910. Indeed we are confident that the maximum schedules will not be held to apply at all, and that the commercial relations of the two countries, which of late years have been so harmonious, will not be disturbed.

The opinion of the average American newspaper of Canada is ill-informed but flattering. We cite the following from the New York Journal, a Hearst newspaper, as indicative of the fact that even papers which were at one time contemptuous, if not hostile, in their comments, are beginning to experience a change of heart: "And this for the very simple season that we have for a quarter of a century been making eyes at Canada ourselves. She is the very best girl in the marriageable class of colonies, and when this fair maiden of the snow becomes of age, and of a mind to enter upon new relations of life, the fellow that gets her has got to be a bigger and better man than Uncle Sam."

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The Fernie Ledger has issued a very attractive booklet showing the progress that has been made in the chief coal mining town of the interior of British Columbia since the great fire of 1908. Within the compass of a single year the city has risen from the ashes of its former self and is in a more prosperous condition than at any previous time in its history. The work in question was printed in the Ledger office and bears upon its face most convincing evidence of the fact that in the printing business and in every other business Fernie is thoroughly up to date.

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We are pleased to say that owing to circumstances over which no one has any control the project to organize a curling club in Victoria has been abandoned. The temperature, which has been on the rampage for several days, is in its normal condition again. And everyone appears to be delighted, with the possible exception of the fuel men.

VETERAN PARLIAMENTARIANS.

Of the three veteran British parliamentarians, Sir Francis Powell, J. G. Talbot and Sir John Kennaway, who were banquetted the other day (with Mr. Balfour in the chair), in view of their retirement at the general election, Sir Francis Powell has actually the longest parliamentary record since he first entered the House of Commons in 1857, whereas Mr. Talbot was first elected in 1868 and Sir John Kennaway in 1870.

Sir Francis, however, has had many breaks in his parliamentary career, and Mr. Talbot also temporarily vacated his seat in 1878 when he accepted the Chiltern Hundreds in order to become a candidate for Oxford University; so that if absolute continuity of membership be considered essential, Sir John Kennaway must be reckoned the actual father of the House at present, since he has been a member of the House without a break since he was first elected in 1870.

All three honorable members have, of course, witnessed many changes in the course of their long careers. When, for instance, Sir Francis Powell was elected for Wigan at the general election of 1857 the small number of 493 votes sufficed for his return. At the last general election he polled more than 3,000 votes in addition.

Lord Palmerston was Prime Minister when Sir Francis Powell first entered the House of Commons, while other members of the cabinet bore names some of which still figure conspicuously in parliamentary life. Thus, Sir George Grey, the present Foreign Secretary's grandfather, was at the Home Office, while the Marquis of Lansdowne's father and grandfather were both members of the government, the latter having a seat in the cabinet without a portfolio.

What Other People Think

ROSS BAY BEACH.

To the Editor:—An illustrated paragraph in Saturday's Colonist shows the absolute folly of attempting to oppose the force of the sea by a wooden structure along the shore line. Wood and concrete and stone have all been tried and found wanting. Along the British coast the only efficient method of resisting the force of the waves is by means of "groins," or strong plank fences, running out at right angles to the shore line. These inexpensive "groins" have been seen by many residents of Victoria, and photographs of shore line protected by such "groins" have been shown to the city engineer and several of the aldermen, but nothing has been done to protect the Ross Bay water front by similar structures. There is every reason to believe that the present shore line could be perfectly protected in this way, and probably a considerable area reclaimed from the sea, as has been the case on the English coast. Why not try it at once?

W. F. BEST.

Victoria, Dec. 6th, 1909.

THE PROPOSED BOARD OF CONTROL.

To the Editor:—In yesterday's issue of the Times I notice a leter containing a long preamble and a weak comment, coupled with questions directed at myself re a city board of control, and as the writer had not the manhood to attach his signature I had thought it unworthy my notice. But since in your leading editorial you refer to it in such glowing terms of endearment, I may be excused for replying. The first question promulgated is: What guarantee have we that the political machine of our city will not capture this board of control and turn every atom of patronage at its disposal into political channels? My answer is (and, I think, by this time you ought to know), you have the ten members of the council, who are elected by the ward system, to supervise and control all propositions of the said board of control. Question No. 2 asks if the members of the board of control are to be elected by the vote of the entire city, what reason have we for supposing that we could get any better men than those who now represent us in the Dominion and local legislature? Well, Mr. Editor, our first answer would be, we are not looking for or contemplating getting better men than those, therefore no disappointment is anticipated; but, on second thought, is it possible that the Times paper is drawing our attention to the fact that they are all Conservatives of a questionable ability, and that the coming mayor and controllers might be of a like persuasion, and, wonderful to relate, turn into a patronage machine? If such is the state of fear and trembling in which the Times approaches the question of controllers for the city, then I may say that any answer I might give on the subject would contain small consolation, for I consider such questions quite aside from the subject, and am surprised to learn that the Liberal paper of this city would recognize such a letter, let alone stoop to write its leading editorial in flattery of the same, and would advise that in future a higher stand be taken in such matters—a higher ideal looked for—so that instead of trying to thwart any effort put forth in good faith we may arise out of the mistakes of the past inch by inch, as it were, until we arrive at that stage of completeness in municipal management as to be on a par with other modern cities of this fair Dominion.

W. J. HANNA.

POSTAL RETURNS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

More Withdrawals From Savings Bank—Cheques Without Address.

According to the Imperial postmaster-general's report, the number of letters delivered during the year ending March 31st last in the United Kingdom averaged 65 for each person. The grand total reached 2,907,400,000. There was only a very slight increase in the number of postcards delivered, which points to the fact that the exceptional business due to the popularity of picture-postcards has reached its climax, as Mr. Buxton anticipated in his last report. 427,824 packets were posted during the year without any address, and among these were banknotes and cash to the value of $7,175, and cheques and other forms of remittances to the value of $120,380. About 60 services are now performed by motor-mail vans.

The extension of the penny postage to the United States has resulted in an increase of 25 per cent. in the number of letters posted in this country for the United States. The falling off in the demand for sixpenny orders for Limerick competitions is very marked, the total decrease amounting to about ten millions. Orders of all other sorts show a satisfactory increase.

The figures regarding the savings bank show that the amount withdrawn during the year exceeded the amount deposited by $3,123,090. In 1907 the amount withdrawn exceeded the amount deposited by $11,081,720.

The number of wireless telegraph stations in the United Kingdom at the end of the year was 200. More than 100 British ships in the mercantile marine were equipped with wireless apparatus. Fifty-three new buildings specially erected for post office purposes were completed during the year. 207,947 persons were employed wholly or in part in the post office, of whom 44,823 were women.

A medical inquiry into the physical effects of stair climbing upon postmen showed that the physical strain produced was not of an abnormal character, and was not productive of injury to health. Steps have, however, been taken to obtain permission for postmen to make use of the lifts in large blocks of flats. Definite limitations have been imposed on postmen cyclists regarding the weight to be carried, the daily distance to be traversed and the rate of speed to be maintained.

The net revenue from the postal, telegraph and telephone services combined was $17,936,820, or $1,275,995 less than last year. The causes of this falling off in the net revenue were the growth of expenditure under the head of salaries, wages, etc., of the staff, and a shrinkage in the rate of increase in postal revenue.

The Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland is entitled to receive a Royal salute from the forts and batteries within his viceroyalty.

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The castle is expected to cost from five to seven million dollars before it is finished. It confronts in granite grimness the stranger as he leaves the Posen railway station, his eye being at once attracted by its central tower, over 230 feet high. Smaller towers and bastions relieve the sombre effect of the high ramparts.

The main tower contains the chapel and suites of apartments designed for the use of the Kaiser and his family. The chapel is inlaid throughout with a mosaic exactly like that in the famous Wartburg. Below the chapel is the royal entrance, a huge arched hall of marble and sandstone, and at the end of this the broad stairway leading to the first story with its royal dwelling rooms and festal salons. The latter are enormous, the grand salon alone covering 600 square yards and being ornamented with marble pillars. The building of the castle, which has been going on for the last four years, has given employment to thousands of Poles, but the population of the province will always regard it as a symbol of Prussian despotism.

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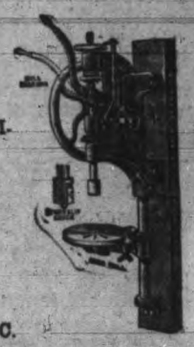

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—The regular monthly meeting and social of the Men's Social Club of the First Congregational church will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the schoolroom of the church. All members are invited to be present.

—An entertainment is to be given this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock, in Semple's hall, Victoria West, by the members of Baxter Hive, Ladies of the Maccabees. A good programme of games and music has been prepared and a most enjoyable time is promised all those who attend. The proceeds of this affair will go towards the "helping hand" fund of the society. All members of the hive are requested to be present at 7:30 o'clock as a short business session is to be held.

—The domestic drama "Bound by an Oath," will be presented by the Victoria West Amateur Dramatic Society on Wednesday and Thursday evening of this week, in Semple's hall. The play consists of four acts and a prologue. A nominal entrance fee of 25 cents will be charged and it is expected that a large number of the friends of the society will attend. On past occasions the society has acquitted itself well and every time a play has been put on by the members of it a good attendance has been witnessed and all have left the hall satisfied.

—At the Victoria theatre this evening the animated pictures and illustrated song show will hold the boards. An exceptionally fine lot of films have been secured for this week's entertainment which will be shown in addition to this evening, on Thursday and Friday evening. Among the films that have been secured are the following: "An Obstinate Tooth," "Catching a Burglar," "Dr. Dodge," "Grand Canal," "Amateur Theatricals," "Reforming a Husband," "Uncle Reuben," "For an Heir," "Tommie's Gun," "A Daughter's Love Is Different," and "Who Needs the Dough."

—A new firm is opening up, which will be known as the Victoria Lead, Light and Art Glass Co., doing business on the second floor of the Lee block, corner of Broad and Johnson streets. Operations will be commenced in a day or so when all branches known to their business will be taken up, all work guaranteed as first class. A thoroughly new and up-to-date plant has been installed. As the members of the firm and the capital are all local this should add to their claim on a share of the business to be had in the city. William Simons is the president of the company and associated with him are S. Crocker and C. Stableton.

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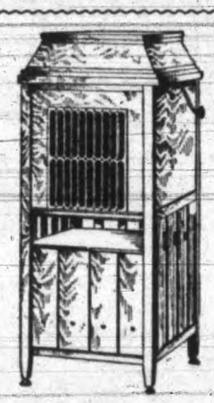

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—Thursday evening in Sir William Wallace hall the Daughters of Scotland will have their regular monthly meeting. At the close of the business session there will be a social and dance, good music being provided. Members are requested to donate refreshments for the affair, to which all friends of members are invited.

—The Ladies Society of Grace English Lutheran church will meet at the home of Mrs. Drahn, 1602 Quadra street, Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. As this is an important meeting all the ladies should be present. These meetings will be held semi-monthly hereafter, and will be made both interesting and helpful to the church and the members.

—Rev. E. G. Lund, D. D., a well known Lutheran educator and president of the western conference, will be here to deliver an address at the K. of P. hall on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Dr. Lund is a member of the mission board of the general council and is much interested in the work of organizing the many Lutherans of this city into a congregation. After the address, the officers of the congregation for the ensuing year will be elected and by-laws to the constitution of Grace English Lutheran church adopted. It is hoped a large attendance will be out to hear Dr. Lund.

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VICTORIANS WEDDED EARLY THIS MORNING

Mr. F. V. P. Cowley and Miss Bagshawe Are United in Marriage.

At St. Mark's, early this morning, the wedding took place of Mr. Francis Vaughan Penrose Cowley to Miss Sybil Frances Bagshawe, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. B. Bagshawe, of "Swallowfield," Richardson street, Victoria. The ceremony was performed by the father of the bridegroom, the Rev. Canon Cowley, who came to the Coast for the purpose.

The bride is well known in Victoria society, havng been one of last season's debutantes. Mr. Cowley, who was educated at Kingston R. M. C., is a member of the Dominion hydrographic survey, which has been North all the summer on the Dominion survey ship Lillooet. The wedding was a very quiet one, only a few of the relatives and intimate friends of the contracting parties being present. The young people left immediately after the ceremony for a short tour of the Coast cities. On their return they will take up their residence on Dunsmuir street, Esquimalt.

COURT OF REVISION TO SIT ON FRIDAY

Voters Who Have Not Paid All Taxes Will Be Struck Off.

The annual court of revision of the municipal voters' lists will be held at the city hall on Friday next, 10th instant. The city solicitor announced this morning that all persons who have not paid their taxes in full, including the road tax, will be debarred from voting. Those who come under this head should attend to the matter before the court sits. The court of revision will be composed of Mayor Hall and Ald. Ross and Fullerton.

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DAUGHTERS OF PITY READY FOR CHRISTMAS

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Ways and means towards brightening Christmas for those in hospital were discussed at the meeting of the Daughters of Pity, held yesterday in the comfortable sewingroom under the chapel at the hospital. The president, Miss Leeming, was in the chair.

Committees were appointed to look after the decorations and other arrangements. The girls were asked to be at the hospital on Thursday and Friday of Christmas week to help with this work and dress the tree. For the purchase of gifts for the tree $50 was voted. Mrs. C. E. Wilson and Miss Fitzgibbon were appointed a committee to arrange for a concert at the hospital on Christmas Day.

Furniture and bedding for the children's ward was ordered to be purchased. The treasurer reported on other purchases. There is a balance of $681 in the bank.

The matter of the annual children's Cinderella was left in the hands of the executive to see if suitable arrangements can be made. For the last two years the function has been held at Government House, through the kindness of the late Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Dunsmuir.

PROGRAMME TO BE GIVEN BY KREISLER

Talented Violinist Will Be at Victoria Theatre Wednesday Night.

The Victoria Musical Society will give the next entertainment of their series tomorrow evening at the Victoria theatre. This will be a veritable treat, Fritz Kreisler, the violinist, being the artist of the evening. The programme to be given is as follows:

I.

(a) Devil's Trill Sonata ..... Tartini
(b) Prelude and Allegro .....
..... G. Pugnani (1731-1798)

II.

Concerto—F Sharp Minor, No. 2 .....
..... Vieuxtemps
(Allegro. Andante. Allegretto. Finale.)

III.

(a) Grave ..... Friedeman Bach (1710-1784)
(b) Chansen Louis XIII. and Pavano.
..... Louis Couperin (1630-1665)
(c) Allegretto .... L. Boccherini (1743-1806)
(d) Larghetto, B Flat Major ..... Weber
(e) Spanish Serenade ..... Chaminade

IV.

(a) Humoresque ..... Dvorak
(b) Fantasy ..... Paganini

Accompanist, Mr. Haddon Squire.

The Musical Society is fortunate in securing such an artist as Mr. Kreisler-Amory. The Pacific Coast Musical Review says of his playing:

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A TALENTED VICTORIAN.

Miss Alma Clarke Will Visit City Shortly—Concert to Be Given By Her.

Music-loving Victorians will be interested to hear that Miss Alma Victoria Clarke, A.T.C.M., will shortly revisit her native city.

Miss Clarke, who is only 17 years of age, has met with great success while in Toronto, where she has been studying for the last three years.

While a pupil of Miss S. F. Smith, A.T.C.M., Dallas road, in 1906, Miss Clarke won the Torrington scholarship, which enabled her to attend the college in Toronto. In 1908 she won the Mason & Risch scholarship and this year the gold medal of the Toronto College of Music, in addition to the degree of associate of that institution.

While in Toronto Miss Clarke has given many piano recitals, winning unstinted praise from the press of that city, her repertoire being very large, both classic and other, all her work being memorized.

The Toronto World of November 2nd last, in describing the concert given by the Toronto College of Music at the Massey hall, at which Miss Clarke rendered Mendelssohn's "Concerto" in G minor, says: "It is not good form in concerts of this kind to signalize the accomplishments of any individual pupil. On this occasion it is impossible not to compliment Dr. Torrington on the art of young Miss Alma Clarke, who ought to be taken in hand and developed into a virtuoso."

To provide local enthusiasts an opportunity of hearing this talented young Victorian, it is intended that Miss Clarke shall give a concert while in this city. The date will be announced later.

—It is requested by Miss Cooke that all contributions for Rev. J. Antil's Christmas hamber be sent to the paper warehouse of C. Holmes, 620 Cormorant street, on December 20th.

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BASKETBALL AT ASSEMBLY RINK

VICTORIA WEST WINS —Y.M.C.A. DEFEATED

Victors Show Greater Speed During Second Half.

Another basketball season has commenced, and the premier after dark sport is in full swing. Before a good crowd last night at the Assembly rink the Victoria West team defeated the last year's champions, Y. M. C. A., by 22 to 18 points, and notched two points on the championship stick, besides giving the Y. M. C. A. men their first city beating for over a year.

The feature of the opening match was the speed and condition of the winners during the second half, which they started with a two-point debit and ended with a four-point credit, having in this period added six points more than the defeated team.

Y. M. C. A. had a good hold on things when the first half ended with them in the lead by 9 to 7, the speed the Victoria Wests dug up during the interval, however, changed the scenery and had the opposition rooters looking like wet roosters with all the crow taken out of them.

For a first and opening game the play was good, but for a standard match it was only moderate. The season, however, is early and the teams have not had time to get down into real championship form.

Last year's champions had four of their old team out and Baker as guard for the fifth man. Roskamp was the other guard, with McKittrick and Whyte forward and Petticrew centre.

Victoria West was represented by Okell and Jenkins, guards; Corkell, centre; and Bailey and Brown, forwards. Sam. Lorimer was referee.

The next senior game is James Bay and North Ward on Monday night at the rink.

The second division schedule is being prepared and will be issued some time to-day.

The junior division opens Dec. 15th with games between Victoria West and Y. M. C. A., and North Ward and James Bay.

FOUR CUP RACERS UNDER NEW RATING

Keen Competition Promised for Dunsmuir Trophy in Future.

Should all the yacht clubs associated with the Northwest International yachting association agree to the change in the rating rules as now adopted by the Royal Vancouver Yacht club there is a probability of at least four new challengers being built and put in the water next spring.

F. G. T. Lucas, secretary of the N. W. I. Y. A., has received replies from Victoria, Vancouver and Tacoma stating that the yacht clubs of those cities are agreed to the changing of the rating as it minimises the cost of the boats by about $1,000 and provides a more easily handled boat. There remains Everett, Port Townsend and Bellingham to agree to the change and experts think these yacht clubs will do so, and when these and the Seattle yacht club are agreed the building of new boats will be commenced.

In Vancouver, R. Moore, owner of the Aloah, has announced his intention of building a challanger and has two sets of plans now under observation. Cao brothers, owners of the Iola have announced they will dispose of her and build a new boat within the rules of the new rating next spring. This boat will be built on Canadian designs. Should the Victoria club carry out its intention of building a challenger there will be three boats to compete for the Dunsmuir trophy, and the fourth is said to be promised from Seattle if the club of that city accepts the new rating. The result, if the plans of the various builders are carried out, will be at least four boats in the Alexandra cup race in the future.

INTERCITY BOWLERS AT FORT ST. ALLEWS

Two Match Games This Week Between Local Teams.

Vancouver will send a bowling team over here in a couple of weeks to compete against the local pin artists at the Fort street alleys. R. H. Cliburn is handling the Vancouver arrangements, and will have on his team G. Ahrens, a left hand bowler, who can roll better than 200 almost every time.

Victoria bowlers are stronger this year than last, because there are a couple of new players here who are among the best in B. C. During the week the Bachelors will play the Benedicts for $25 a side, and both teams think they have a little easy money in sight. To-night the Wolves play the Tigers, and Thursday the Bears and Lions play. These two games are in the Fitzpatrick & O'Connell cup competition.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

VICTORIA WEST CLAIMS MATCH.

Victoria West has claimed the soccer match at Oak Bay last Saturday against the Garrison. The soldiers did not put in an appearance, and the Victoria West team went on the field, kicked a goal after the whistle was blown and claimed the match. The referee's report will name the Victoria West team as the winners, and there will be no other course but for the league to record them two points and debit the Garrison with a loss.

THE TURF.

DAN DEE IS SOLD.

F. A. Thompson has sold to J. J. Campbell, of Vancouver, his well known pacer Dan Dee, which has figured on the local track on many occasions. The sale of Dan Dee takes away from Victoria one of the fastest pacers ever seen here.

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AVIATION RACES IN B. C. NEXT SUMMER

Richard Klegin Proposes to Have Flying Circuit.

One of the best known sporting men in the Northwest is out with an up-to-date proposition of forming an area circuit, which will include in its itinerary Vancouver and Victoria, and if his proposals meet with success, people of this city will be able to witness for the first time aeroplanes flying over their heads, and may possibly have an opportunity of taking a journey to the clouds.

The man who is proposing the establishment of this circuit is Richard Klegin, who is generally credited with having been responsible for the present development of the professional boxing game in Paris where it was unknown until a couple of years ago.

Mr. Klegin was a Sioux City sporting editor several years ago, but blossomed out as a fight and wrestling promoter, toured the country with several notable athletes, including Jim Berg, better known as "Young Hackenschmidt," and finally went to Paris with a string of fighters, including Sam McVea, Honey Mellody, Harry Lewis and others, where he upset the volatile French "bugs" and incidentally made money.

The Parisian impressario says he has contracts with four great French aviators and one or two American aeronauts and that he has a chain of a dozen big American cities on the Pacific coast and through the Rocky mountain country for aviation and aeronautic races and contests next year. His itinerary proposes to give Spokane the first meeting of the Pacific slope, then to British Columbia, Seattle, Portland and into California.

Santos Dumont, father of aviation, who flew around the Eiffel tower; Hubert Latham, who tried twice to cross the English channel; Morris Farmin, brother of the man who broke the distance aeroplane flight at 144 miles, and Count Lambert, one of the lesser lights in French aviation, but none the less a wonder, are the aeroplane navigators whom Klegin says he has under contract. He also proposes to bring Charles Corey, the Chicago balloonist.

Engstrom Goes With Him.

Oscar Engstrom, of Spokane, goes back to France with Klegin. Engstrom will assist in managing the hippodrome affairs and help open the game in Berlin, which Klegin proposes to invade next.

YACHT CLUB MEETS AT PIONEER HALL

Planning for Gathering of Yachtsmen Here in July.

There will be a general meeting to-night at Pioneer hall of the Victoria Yacht Club to consider ways and means to handle the big Northwest International Yacht Racing Association meeting here in July next.

It is expected that there will be about three hundred yachts at least here in July for the meeting and as guests of the local club their entertainment is to be provided for.

Last year there were over three hundred yachts from all centres on Puget Sound and the Gulf of Georgia anchored at Elliott Bay, which will give some idea of the magnitude of the task before the local club, which will be the hosts.

Committees have been appointed to take up various branches of the work, and those will probably report to-night. The club intends to make the 1910 yachting gathering at Victoria as satisfactory and enjoyable an affair as any meeting ever held on Puget Sound. Each boat coming will average about five men, so there will be about fifteen hundred guests to be entertained. The meeting to-night will commence at eight o'clock.

THE RING.

PERMANENT STAKEHOLDER.

(Times Leased Wire.)

New York, Dec. 7.—State Senator Timothy D. Sullivan, better known as "Big Tim," has been appointed permanent stakeholder for the Jeffries-Johnson match. All the forfeit money, $40,000, has been deposited with Sullivan by consent of all interested parties.

UNPOPULAR DECISION.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 7.—Abe Attell, champion featherweight of the world, was forced to extend himself to the limit to get a decision over Charlie White, of Chicago, in an eight round contest last night. The decision was unpopular.

MAY REVOKE PERMIT.

Redwood City, Cal., Dec. 7.—The petition to revoke the fight permit of James W. Coffroth, who conducts an arena just over the line in this county, came up yesterday before the board of supervisors of San Mateo county. On the representation of Coffroth's attorney that the promoter is now in New York, the hearing went over until December 20th, at which time the attorney was notified that the matter would be decided, whether Coffroth appeared or not.

It is estimated that the amount of gold in the world is about 612 cubic yards, and it would fit in a room twenty-four feet each way if in a solid cube.

STANDEN DEFEATS DRIVER MILLER

Referee Stops Bout in Seventh Round and Awards Decision to Nanaimo Man.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 7.—The better man won. The better man in this case was Rod Standen, the clever Nanaimo lightweight, who proved himself so much the superior of Driver Miller in their bout at North Vancouver last evening, that the contest, which was scheduled to go fifteen rounds, was stopped in the eighth by Referee J. T. Hewitt, and the decision awarded to Standen. This gives Standen the undisputed right to the lightweight championship of British Columbia.

The first round was about even. After that Standen showed as soon as the bell clanged for the second round that he had taken the measure of his man and the Nanaimo boy went after him; coolly, deliberately, keeping out of danger by clever footwork and smothering the wild swings of Miller whenever he could not get out of range of them.

The fifth round saw the beginning of the end for Miller. He was commencing to tire from forcing the battle and Standen, as soon as he noticed this, commenced sending in that straight right to Miller's jaw, which already bore the mark of many previous visitations. He varied this in the sixth by popping off his man at long range with straight lefts. In the seventh Standen landed almost at will, although Miller got in two long right swings that were partially smothered by Standen.

In the final round Standen started after his man in earnest. He took what little steam he had recovered in the interval out with a couple of his straight rights to the jaw dancing out of danger of a return each time. The balance of the two minutes which saw Miller in the ropes more than a quarter of the time. He had visions of Halley's comet and several other stellar constellations during the next minute until the referee intervened.

JOHNSON-KETCHEL FIGHT BY PICTURE

Interesting Film to Be Exhibited at Victoria Theatre Saturday.

The sensational climax of the Johnson-Ketchel fight will long be remembered by those gathered in Cofroth's arena, Colma, Saturday afternoon, October 16th, and the pictures to be exhibited in this city on Saturday evening, showing the fight in every detail of the twelve rounds will show exactly the sensational knock-out. The men came to the centre, immediately clinched and wrestled to Johnson's corner. The negro broke away and posing himself, dashed at Ketchel, who sprang to meet him. Ketchel drove his right at the black's lowered head; Johnson ducked and the blow landed behind his ear; he fell, landing heavily and stretched out on the floor. Ketchel backed toward the ropes with a smile glimmering on his battered face as Johnson rose slowly. His eyes encountered Ketchel's, and with the fury of a wild beast he leaped across the ten feet that separated them and he crashed his right fist into the white man's jaw, his left to his stomach, and another terrific right swing and Ketchel dropped to the floor in a heap. Johnson, unable to stop his rush, sprawled across his beaten rival's legs and fell full length himself, but rose up again with a bound. Ketchel, however, was down and out. Each action is distinctly shown in the pictures.

The Kalem company produces fine results with the Johnson-Ketchel event. Extensive bookings for those pictures had been made in advance of the event, which was scheduled to come off a week earlier than it did. Then the negatives had to be brought to the New York studio for developing and printing.

The trains bearing the special messenger with the negatives lost a day on the overland trip, so that he did not reach New York until Saturday morning, October 23rd, and the pictures were booked to appear in Cincinnati, Pittsburg, New York, and other points October 25th.

Receiving the negatives at 6 o'clock Saturday morning the staff of experts from the Kalem studios got busy before 12 o'clock and had the prints finished and on the way by special messenger to Pittsburg and Cincinnati, and it was not a good day for drying film either. Before night two more prints were shipped to other points, still more were in process of completion. The plant was run continuously from Saturday morning to Monday morning, the men stopping only long enough to devour a sandwich now and then or to snatch a half hour's sleep occasionally when they could no longer hold their eyes open.

It stands as a record achievement by the Kalem company that they fulfilled all prints contracted for and delivered in time to fill the dates booked and as the contracts for immediate bookings called for about 100 prints it was rather a gigantic undertaking to develop nearly 400,000 feet in the very short time between Saturday morning and Monday morning. The trade papers make special mention of the clearness of the film and compliment Mr. Earl Miles for his splendid negatives. The favorable light conditions made this possible and the excellent work of the Kalem company's staff in developing and printing have produced what the trade papers claim to be one of the clearest and most distinct films issued of any fight.

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WRESTLING

POLISH CHAMPION LOSES MATCH.

(Times Leased Wire.)

Quincy, Ills., Dec. 7.—Zbszko, the Polish champion, failed to throw George Turner, of Kellogg, Iowa, twice last night in forty-five minutes, though making the second fall in five minutes after the stated time. Zbyszko lost the match.

ATHLETICS.

VICTORIA WEST MEETING.

meet to-night at the club rooms, Victoria West. There is general business to be discussed and teams to be chosen for next Saturday's soccer games.

MINER AND WIFE GUARD GOLD DUST

Are on Their Way to San Francisco With $16,000 in Gold.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 7.—Sam Hagan, a mining man of Dawson, is on his way to San Francisco, accompanied by his wife and $160,000 in gold dust.

Hagan and his wife arrived in Seattle last week on the steamer Humboldt from Skagway, having come out of the Yukon country over the White Pass railroad. When the steamer docked Hagan dragged a strong box to the gangplank and with the help of a sailor, wheeled the box to the entrance of the docks, where he engaged an express man to haul it and a big bag of gold dust to his hotel. Here the gold dust was sent up to a room assigned Hagan, and the Dawson man and his wife stood guard over their treasure until Sunday morning, when they boarded a Pullman car on the Portland train and began their journey to California, having transferred the gold dust to two suit cases. The precious dust weighs 800 troy pounds.

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WINSTON CHURCHILL AS A PERSONALITY

A Career Which Bristles With Antitheses—Luck Is With Him.

I am more keenly interested in personalities than politics, and therefore I am more heartily interested in Mr. Winston Churchill than in many other politicians. There are many clever men in the House of Commons, but not one of them stings you with the romantic excitement of adventurous ambition. It is an age of ability, rather than an age of genius. Most of the flaming figures are past the climacteric of peril. Mr. Churchill alone tingles with a dramatic future, writes James Douglas in the Montreal Standard.

It is a curious fact that some of the youngest men in the House are the oldest. Surprise is not latent in them as it is latent in Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Churchill. Unhappily Mr. Chamberlain's peau de chagrin is shrunken. Mr. Churchill's has not yet begun to shrink. There is nothing much more certain than that if he lives he will be prime minister.

This afternoon he is the cynosure of Westminster as he unfolds the constitution of the Transvaal. A few years ago he was a prisoner in Pretoria. To-day he is outlining the Magna Charta of his jailers. The antithesis is violent, but his career bristles with antitheses. A Tory yesterday, he is a Liberal to-day, leading his former antagonists against his former comrades. Like Gladstone and Chamberlain, he is an inspired opportunist, whose luck is a kind of inconsistency, and whose inconsistency is a kind of luck. He has a firm grip of Fortune's forelock. Did she not once appear to him in the guise of a vulture?

Statesmen are born as well as made. He is both. The orotund maturity of his new parliamentary manner is absolute. He has more than style. He has the grand style. What other men acquire after decades of toil he has acquired by a movement of the imagination. He has that ductility of genius which is a creative code. He becomes what he imagines himself to be. Like all great orators, he is a consummate actor with a perfect mastery over his flesh. Others see him as he sees himself. You can call it hypnotism or magnetism or what you will, but in essence it is purely the power to impose upon others the self-painted portrait. A man is always taken at his own valuation.

Dresses the Part.

Clothes are the man, and Mr. Churchill dresses his part. He wears the hideous uniform of the middle-aged British statesman. He eschews dandyism. His frockcoat is severely pompous and his black cravat is gravely austere. His collar is solemnly respectable, and its vast ears are beginning to glory in the Gladstonian tradition. He begs a humble colleague to fetch him a glass of water like an old parliamentary hand. His mien is not merely important; it is majestic. Sir William Harcourt himself in his ripest fame did not wheel round to invoke cheers of his legions with more splendid assurance.

Even Gladstone did not launch a more piercing glance of challenge at the leader of the opposition. Nor was Disraeli less burdened with superfluous modesty or exaggerated diffidence. His superb aplomb is native, not assumed. He has the gift of spontaneous superiority, and natural domination. He can patronize bald veterans without an effort, and accept silver-haired homage without a smile. He groups famous men round his eloquence as if he were inured to adulation, and yet he is always greater than his setting. The very sergeant-at-arms becomes his acolyte, and the mace his sceptre. He even contrives with a delicate flicker of his cold blue eye to suggest that the Speaker is not, like himself, a survival of the fittest, and the House laughs with scandalized awe at the audacity of an innuendo which is only a gesture.

His physique is that of a neurotic athlete. He is all nerves and vigor. His frame is as lean and lithe as Mr. Chamberlain's, with something of the same impassioned intensity of vigilance and sharp alertness of ear and eye. But it is prematurely bent and bowed, and the square, ugly shoulders tell a tale of laborious hours, which is confirmed by the thinned brown hair, the bald brow and temples, the wide parting, and the white patch on the crown. The face, too, has shaken off the hesitating contours of youth, and settled itself into a granite fixity. It is a square face, all battlemented brows and walled jaws, heavy angles and salients, with a portcullis mouth, and a nose like a tower. When the hard mouth melts into a humorous smile the lovable boyish side of his nature is visible. But this is rare.

Voice Is Erratic.

His voice is erratic. He lisps over every sibilant, and I am sure he could not say "Shiboleth." His lisp is part of his neurotic temperament. It will be known as the Winston lisp, like the Gladstone collar, the Disraeli curl, and the Chamberlain eyeglass. He also possesses a fine stammer. The Winston stammer will be popular. But not every stripling can lisp himself into notoriety and stutter himself into fame.

The nervous passion of the man is visible not only in his neurotic hair, in his neurotic lisp, and in his neurotic stammer. It plays in his neurotic hands. I used to go to see Duse solely for the pleasure of watching her beautiful hands. This afternoon I watch the nervous hands of our young Chatham. I forget the cascade of oratory that is tumbling out of his mouth as I look down on the dramatic fingering of his fingers. They are long, thin, white, supple, restless tenacles. They coil round each other in an interlaced passion. They flicker in the air, flinging electrical metaphors over the absorbed faces that are fixed in an enchanted silence. They are the fingers of a violinist, and they seem to draw music out of the six hundred human strings of Westminster. Now they caress and cajole, now they close in sudden menace, now they throttle and strangle, now they mock and deride. It may be fantasy, but it seems at times that these subtle fingers sweep over the spellbound parliament as the fingers of a lyrist sweep over a lyre.

But stranger than neurotic hair, neurotic lisp, neurotic manner, neurotic fingers, is the neurotic flesh. Life has drained it of color, and left it a dead, cadaverous white. Its waxen pallor is ghostly in the sad neutral light, but behind the bloodless parchment gloves a steady radiance of impassioned energy, like fire in a bladder. This luminous strength flames in the tired face. It is more than will and intellect. It is lambent imagination leaping along the nerves into the mobile feature. It is a conflagration of personality, the soul in action, a spiritual thunderstorm, a charged cloud stabbing the parliamentary sky with electric flashes. Members and ministers, peers and journalists, financiers and ambassadors, lawyers and soldiers, rigidly watch the brilliant fulgurations flame and fade. And by a prank of irony I find my eye fixed upon the gold stud that fastens the back of the rhetorician's collar to his shirt. It seems to knot and knit the dramatic scene into unity. The last time I saw Gladstone was on that fateful night when he threw down his gauntlet for the last time to the House of Lords. The only thing that stuck in my memory was the black silk bows on his evening pumps. So this afternoon I go away brooding over the untidy collar-stud on the nape of Winston Churchill's neck.

COMMERCIAL COUNCIL.

London, Dec. 7.—Sir Alfred Spicer has returned from Australia, where he presided at the congress of chambers of commerce of the Empire. He says he favors the idea of establishing an imperial commercial council so that the work of the congress, which meets every three years, may be followed during the intervening period.

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PERSONAL.

Arthur Hawkes, superintendent of industries and publicity on the staff of the Canadian Northern railway, paid a flying visit to the city yesterday, leaving again for the East on the midnight boat. Mr. Hawkes had not been here for three years and is planning to make a longer trip to the Coast shortly.

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R. Marpole, assistant executive agent of the C. P. R., with headquarters at Vancouver, came over from the Mainland last night and registered at the Empress. He is here on departmental business and will return to Vancouver this evening.

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Denis Murphy, of Ashcroft, who has been appointed to a position on the Supreme court bench, is in the city, a guest at the Empress hotel. He will be sworn in and take his seat on the bench immediately.

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John Piercy, of Prince Rupert, and his daughter, are on a visit to the city.

MANGLED BY SHAFT.

(Special to the Times.)

Calgary, Dec. 7.—Oliver Chapman, an employee at the cement works, had his head and legs torn off this morning when caught in the shaft and whirled to death. He was 26 years of age and unmarried.

OPPOSITION TO SUFFRAGETTES

RALPH S. BOND ADDRESSES GATHERING

He Urges Sinking Such Questions in View of Greater Matters.

Ralph S. Bond, of London, in an address before the Women's Canadian Club in the Driard hotel yesterday afternoon, dealt with the subject of woman's suffrage. He is opposed to the stand taken by the suffragettes in the Old Land. Before he closed he made a strong appeal on behalf of sinking all differences at the present time throughout the empire and devoting attention preparing to maintain the supremacy of the seas, a supremacy which he felt the German Empire was determined upon disputing.

The meeting was somewhat informal and was attended by the general public by request. Mrs. G. H. Barnard presided. She made it clear in introducing the speaker that the Woman's Club did not commit itself to any stand for or against woman's suffrage. They invited Mr. Bond to speak in an effort to become informed on all subjects.

Mr. Bond in dealing with the subject pointed out that all questions involving imperial policy and introducing any great change affected not only the home land, but the scattered parts of the Empire were liable to be affected. Mutual intercourse among the different parts of the Empire was calculated to inspire mutual confidence. He alluded also to the need of an imperial council where questions affecting the whole Empire might be considered.

If the Empire was to continue it was essential that there should be consolidation. This depended upon mutual interests, reciprocity in trade and a common system of defence by land and sea. The society he represented, the Anti-Suffrage League, did not court publicity. The suffragettes were forcing themselves to the front. The suffragettes were clamoring to be regarded as political offenders in their demonstrations. Under the laws of England there were no political offences. He traced the history of the present movement by the suffragettes, commencing with their demonstrations during the past eighteen months. As a result of it a few thoughtful women had bound themselves together feeling it would be inadvisable to have the demands of the suffragettes granted. The Woman's National Anti-Suffrage League was thus founded, and about the same time a number of men had formed a league along similar lines. The organization was entirely non-political. Every militant action by the suffragettes had the effect of swelling the ranks of the society he represented.

The suffragettes wanted the franchise on the same terms as it was granted to men. Even if the disqualification of sex was done away with the vast majority of women under the laws of England would not get a vote. This would not long exist. The poorer women would demand a vote as well as her richer sister. But when the move was made to give universal adult suffrage for all over 21 years of age the suffragettes opposed it. This would mean 15,000,000 on the voters' lists. The women were in the majority to the extent of 1,500,000. Under this condition women would govern England.

Mr. Bond took up some of the arguments used by the suffragettes. Upon men must rest the responsibility for enforcing the laws. Unless this was done there would be anarchy. Once the power to vote was granted, the right of women to sit in parliament and to hold executive offices would follow.

The argument that women were given the right to vote in municipal affairs was not conclusive. Municipal work was administrative not legislative.

Women did not constitute a class. They were a sex. They were represented by men. If the argument that those that pay taxes must have a vote it would mean universal suffrage. Women had their country and protection just the same as men. But in addition to this man had obligations. He was liable to serve his country on the jury. Women would not like to have to do this. Women would thus be given votes on special terms. A man's vote represented his views and his readiness to enforce it. A woman's vote could only represent her view and someone else would have to enforce it.

It was not necessary for women to have the right to vote to represent their views. Statute after statute was passed by men to benefit women. The argument that it was necessary to have a vote in order to raise women's wages was not borne out by the facts. It was shown that there had been greater increases in women's wages than in men's. Domestic servants without a trade union and without votes had been increased 100 per cent in recent years.

After urging other reasons against granting the suffragettes their demands, Mr. Bond said the Empire was passing through a critical time. All should pull together to consolidate the Empire. The suffragettes should not press forward at this time. Two of the greatest powers in the world were arming themselves. Why had every officer of the German army to acquire an exact knowledge of some county in England? Everything pointed to Germany having designs upon England.

The Kaiser was building a great fleet. He had the finest army. His aim was undoubtedly to be supreme on land and sea.

In travelling through Canada he had come to the conclusion that the people of Canada did not fully realize the situation. If the command of the sea passed from England what was to become of Canada? He was glad Canada was founding a navy. If the empire remained in command of the sea it could dictate peace in the whole world.

It was provoking that at a time when a great danger was before the British empire that the suffragettes should interfere with the political situation.

In concluding he alluded to the part which women held as mothers and sisters to help in training those who were to be the soldiers, the sailors and the statesmen of Britain. In that way they would be doing a noble duty in handing down an heritage which was embodied in the words, "One flag, one King, one empire."

Applause greeted the effort of Mr. Bond.

A. E. McPhillips, K. C., moved a vote of thinks. During his speech he alluded to the remarks of Mr. Bond relative to Canada not taking the interest in the situation which he thought it should. Mr. McPhillips said there were two sides to this. He had while in England been impressed with the idea that Canada had no voice in the affairs of empire. That he thought, lessened the interest to some extent. He hoped, however, to see an imperial body representing all parts of the empire legislating for the whole.

Mrs. Rocke Robertson in seconding the vote of thanks said she did not admit that women were feeble-minded, but men were strong, and for that reason she was satisfied to let them legislate for her.

Mr. Bond after being accorded the vote of thanks said he did not intend any affront to the people of Canada. In England they felt keenly on the question of the danger of hostilities with Germany.

The meeting closed with singing "God Save the King."

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

(Special to the Times.)

Riviere du Loup, Que., Dec. 7.—Alfonse Elie Jalbert was caught in the shafting of Lachance's sawmill this morning and whirled to the ceiling, where he was battered to pieces.

TWO HUNDRED SLAIN IN BATTLE

REVOLUTIONISTS DEFEAT FORCES OF ZELAYA

Many Government Troops Made Prisoners by Victors.

(Times Leased Wire.)

New Oreans, La., Dec. 7.—The forces of President Zelaya, under General Vasquez, were defeated in a bloody engagment to-day by revolutionary forces of Provincial President Estrada, who re-encamped in the vicinity of Rama.

According to a wireless despatch from Managua via Port Limon, 200 were killed in the battle, which raged six hours.

The revolutionists captured several cannon and a large quantity of ammunition. Many of the government troops were captured and taken to Rama as prisoners of war.

The revolutionary forces under Gen. Metuty are in undisputed possession of Rama and the contiguous territory.

To-day's battle is supposed to have followed an attempt on the part of Zelayans to get outside the rebel lines preparatory to the general attack on Metuty's position which it is thought they are contemplating.

Fritz Kressler, the violinist who appears at the Victoria theatre to-morrow.

TWO WOMEN ARE BURNED TO DEATH

Hotel in Huntington, Quebec, is Destroyed by Fire.

(Special to the Times.)

Huntingdon, Que., Dec. 7.—Fire which started at four o'clock this morning destroyed the Central hotel. The aged aunt of [illegible] burned to death in her room. She was 88 years of age. The property loss amounts to $5,000.

Lamp Explosion.

Cowansville, Que., Dec. 7.—Mrs. Pierre Horanviele, aged 60, was fatally burned at St. Friende Bolton last night, when her clothing caught fire from a lamp.

TWENTY-THREE KILLED.

Hamburg, Germany, Dec. 7.—Twenty-three persons were killed and 29 others were seriously injured in a gas explosion here to-day.

—The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. will be held to-morrow evening at 6 o'clock in the association rooms. All members are requested to be present, as business of importance is to be transacted.

—Two small suits were heard in County court yesterday and disposed of. In Richards vs. Simpson, judgment for $16.25 and costs was given, J. A. Aikman for plaintiff and defendant in person contra. Sam Bill sued Bill John for a small sum and got judgment. Mr. Aikman appeared for him and S. Perry Mills, K. C., for the defendant.

—The guarantees given by the management of the Victoria theatre regarding the merits of "The Travelling Salesmen" were fully borne out last night, and the audience which assembled showed its appreciation by frequent applause and curtain calls. Jas. Forbes' comedy has had a successful run in the cities of the East, and was presented here by a company which did the play full justice. The company was a well-balanced one, even the two tots who appeared in the opening act [illegible] their parts with the airs of veterans.

—The funeral of the late John Fisher Wessel will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company's parlors, Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard will officiate.

SKELTONS UNEARTH.

A ploughman at Ardee, County, Louth, has unearthed about fifty human skeletons in a field in the neighborhooh of which, three centuries ago, several battles were fought. The farmer has had the remains reinterred, and intends marking the spot with a cross.

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HABEAS CORPUS FOR WEST COAST INDIAN

Chief Justice Will Hear Argument To-morrow—George Sye Wants Release.

A writ of habeas corpus was applied for by R. C. Lowe this morning on behalf of George Sye, an Indian, who is serving three months in jail on a theft charge. Chief Justice Hunter granted an order nisi, and will hear argument to-morrow morning on a motion to make it absolute.

Sye was committed at Clayoquot on November 24th by John Grice, J. P., on a charge of stealing 174 feet of one-inch water pipe and one one-inch globe valve from the Sutton Lumber & Trading Company, Mosquito Harbor. On behalf of the prisoner it will be argued that he should have been tried by two justices or a stipendiary magistrate, and defect in the indictment will be alleged in that it does not state the value of the goods. H. D. Helmcken, K. C., is acting for the crown.

DEATH OF MISS A. SLATER.

Well Known Victorian Passed Away This Morning at the Family Residence.

The death occurred early this morning at the family residence, 2743 Quadra street, of Miss Annie Louise Slater, daughter of the late William Slater, of this city. Deceased had been ill many months and death was not wholly unexpected. The late Miss Slater was a native daughter, being born in this city 27 years ago. She received her education in this city and was well known and respected throughout Victoria. A mother and two sisters survive her.

The funeral has been arranged to take place on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral Furnishing company's parlors, Government street.

CHRISTMAS STAMPS.

Means Taken to Increase Funds of Anti-Tuberculosis Society.

In aid of the B. C. Anti-Tuberculosis Society very neat Christmas stamps have been prepared and are on sale in a number of stores. The stamp this year has been specially prepared by the local society and is printed in red and green, containing the words "British Columbia Anti-Tuberculosis Society—Merry Xmas—Happy New Year." A small cross with double cross bars, the emblem used by those fighting the white plague.

Miss Bowron is in charge of the sale of the stamps in Victoria for the society. They sell at one cent each, and are attached to Christmas parcels being sent out, expressing holiday good wishes, and at the same time calling attention to the work against tuberculosis.

TRIAL OF FORMER OFFICER.

Governor of Washington Declares Ortis Hamilton Confessed to Misappropriation of Funds.

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 7.—All morning Governor Hay was on the stand at the trial of Ortis Hamilton, former adjutant-general, and was subjected to the most grilling cross-examination by Attorneys Vance and Robinson, counsel for the defence. He answered questions in a concise manner, and on several occasions he waited until the court ruled they were proper.

The attorneys for the defence raised point after point, but Governor Hay could not be shaken from his story of yesterday afternoon when he told how on May 5th, the day of his arrest, Hamilton confessed in the governor's office with Governor Hay and Attorney-General W. P. Bell present to misappropriation of funds.

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The mail was made up in two packets, one for Fort Resolution on Great Slave Lake, and the other for Fort McPherson. From the Fort Resolution mail, delivery will be made at the Hudson Bay company's posts on the way north. The Ft. McPherson mail will go straight through ...d charge of drivers to be selected ob... Fort Resolution. From the hotel Resolution mail, deliveries ...em with made at Fort McMurray, ...m in need million, Fort Smith and o... the way up.

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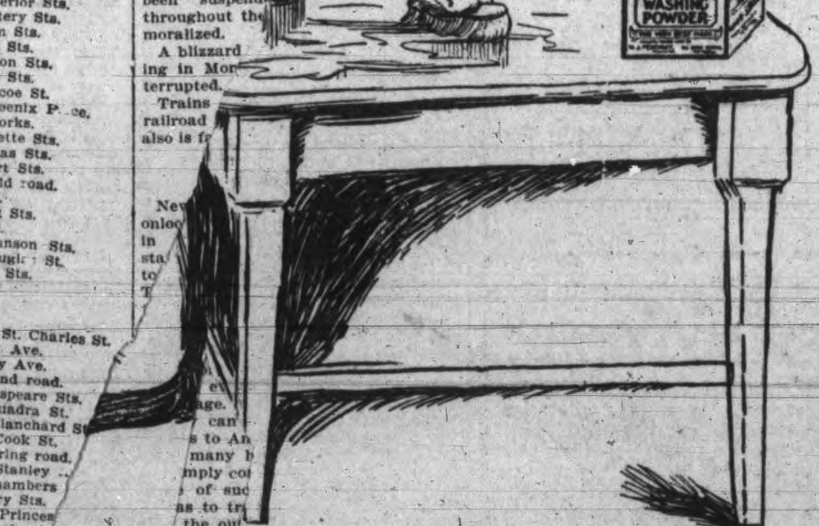

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WASHOUT ON E. & N. RAILWAY

Herewith is a view of the damage done by the recent floods at 102 bridge on the E. & N. railway in the vicinity of Ladysmith. The fill was washed away for a distance of four hundred feet, and the track can be seen suspended in mid-air. The damage is being repaired with all possible haste, and it is hoped to have trains running without interruption by the end of the week. In the interim the passengers have to transfer between the two trains, which meet at either side of the break. A large pile driver has been secured from the mainland and is now employed in the work of restoring the timbers which were washed away.

MUNICIPALITY MISREPRESENTED

QUESTION RAISED AT OAK BAY COUNCIL

Councillor Oliver Objects to Statement That Floods Occurred.

Councillor Oliver at last night's meeting of the Oak Bay council referred to the exaggerated accounts of flooding in the Oak Bay municipality, which had appeared in the Colonist newspaper. He, in going around the municipality after the big rain, had been congratulating himself on the splendid way in which the water had been carried off. The council had spent a large amount of money on drains and had used pipes which were considered by some much too large for the purpose. Then to be told that the district was flooded he thought scarcely fair and certainly not true. He did not think the item which referred to the condition of things was written by a member of the newspaper staff, the language used betraying the source from which it came. He asked the engineer what he thought of it.

Engineer Fowler explained that one of the pipes in a surface drain had been broken and this stoppage had caused a small pool, but when he went to examine it on the Monday there was scarcely any water in sight. He thought the report was much exaggerated.

The matter of surface drainage and the allowing of sewerage to pass into the same was also a matter of discussion at the meeting last night. Clerk Floyd was asked to read the notice he had sent out to householders. This he did, and after some little discussion it was decided to refer any inquirers to the resolution passed by the board at a previous meeting. In concluding this discussion the reeve facetiously remarked that if the city reservoir continued to leak at the present rate there would be no need to worry about keeping the surface drains flushed.

One of the momentous questions discussed at great length by the council was whether the action of the streets committee, of which Councillor Noble is chairman, should be indorsed by the council in regard to moving the telephone from the municipal stables to Constable Dawson's house.

Councillor Noble thought it would be unwise to be without a means of communicating with the outside world, especially as the rock crusher was working near by. The rest of the council did not seem to agree with this so Councillor Noble moved the adoption of the report, which was carried.

The report of the roads and bridges committee showed that Police Constable Steele had been relieved of his duties by the reeve, and that this action had been confirmed by the committee. It also showed that a number of small matters had been dealt with by the committee.

The letter of the Bishop of Columbia asking for the use of the municipal hall was withdrawn, as arrangements had been made with the school trustees to have the use of the old school building. This, it was pointed out, was beyond the powers of the trustees, and they were asked to annul any arrangement entered into. Notice was given that a by-law would be introduced at the next meeting of the council asking the people to give permission to sell the old schoolhouse. This will be voted on at the time of the municipal election.

Arrangements will probably be made with the trustees of the school to have the voting conducted in one of the unused class rooms. The nominations will take place in the municipal hall. Clerk Floyd will be the returning officer with power to appoint deputies.

A special charter has been prepared for the municipality of Oak Bay, giving wider powers than those at present enjoyed. Councillor Oliver stated that he thought there would be no opposition to this from surrounding corporations if the matter were discussed with them beforehand. This will be done by the law committee.

Those present at the meeting were Reeve Henderson, and Councillors Newton, Oliver, McGregor and Noble.

JUST CURED HIM THAT WAS ALL

What Dodd's Kidney Pills Did for Thomas Moon.

Doctors Could Not Cure His Dropsy, But Kidney Pills Cleared it Out Completely.

Maidstone, Sask., Dec. 6.—(Special)—"Cured me completely. That's what Dodd's Kidney Pills did for me." Such is the statement made by Thomas Moon, a well known resident of this place who for years suffered with Dropsical Swellings brought on by diseased Kidneys.

"I had pains in the small of my back," Mr. Moon continues, "and across the loins. The swelling commenced first in my legs and gradually got to my body. I tried dinerent doctors but kept getting worse every day until I was swollen up to an awful size.

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ROLLING ROUND THE WORLD.

Two Italians who are travelling round the world in a barrel arrived at Dover, England, recently.

Their names are Zanadi Attilius and Vicinello Eugene, and for a wager of $500 they are endeavoring to circle the globe in a barrel three feet long and about four feet in diameter. They take turns, one man rolling the barrel while the other sits inside. The conditions are that they must get their food and clothing by selling post cards in the towns through which they pass.

The men say they began their journey on June 20th last at Vienna, and proceeded through France. The time to be occupied in the attempt is twelve years.

Careful estimates show that each year there are interred within the limits of the county of London about 130,000 human bodies.

WOOD BLOCKS FOR DOUGLAS

CITY ENGINEER TOPP NAMES THE PAVEMENT

Lighting Scheme for Same Thoroughfare to Be Taken Up Promptly.

Douglas street, on the section running from Humboldt to Cormorant street is to be paved with wood blocks and the work is to be undertaken at the earliest possible date. This decision was reached at the meeting of the city council last evening. The type of pavement was made known in a special report from the city engineer and the announcement that the work would be gone on with at once instead of waiting until the spring was made to a deputation who waited on the board previous to the regular proceedings.

This deputation of property owners on Douglas street was made up of Capt. McCallum, P. R. Brown, A. E. Todd and W. Challoner. Capt. McCallum, presented a petition from the large majority of the owners praying the council to proceed with the work of paving at once, and another asking that the lighting of that street as defined in a previous communication be also gone on with.

In regard to the lighting, Ald. Mable, chairman of the electric light committee, said that the report was not yet ready but the matter had been taken up with Mr. Hutcheson, superintendent of the electric light department. He would remind the deputation, however, that the question was one which demanded some serious consideration, as the expense involved would have to be borne by the whole city. While the improvement to Douglas street would benefit the property on that thoroughfare much of the expense would have to be borne by the ratepayers generally.

Mr. Challoner expressed himself as somewhat disappointed with the remarks of Ald. Mable. He thought it was beyond dispute that if the street was lighted as was intended the whole city would benefit. It would follow that property on Douglas street, because of the improvement would be assessed at higher figures and the property owners would be glad to pay whatever extra was asked from them. He could not see why there should be the slightest objection to going ahead with the work.

Ald. Mable said that the committee would take the matter up promptly and endeavor to have a report ready for next Friday evening's meeting of the streets committee and then the order for the work to proceed could pass at the next regular meeting of the council.

ORGAN FUND.

Concert to Be Given in Aid of New Instrument for Metropolitan Church.

On the evening of New Year's Day a concert will be given by the choir of the Metropolitan Methodist church in the auditorium of the church. This concert is being given for the purpose of raising the amount of $1,000 promised by the choir to aid in the purchasing of the proposed new organ for the church.

The choir on the evening of the entertainment will consist of sixty voices and some of the choruses of the great masters will be given. A number of solos will be sung by members of the choir. The programme, which is being prepared, is an elaborate one and that the entertainment to be given will prove one of the leading ones of the season is beyond doubt. Regular practices of the choir are being held and on the evening of the entertainment the choir will be in excellent shape.

The proposed new organ will cost in the neighborhood of $10,000 and is expected to be one of the best on the coast. Towards the fund $6,000 has already been pledged and it is hoped that the proposition will be successfully carried through. A ready response has so far been made by the various organizations of the church.

The present organ has been in use for considerable time. It has been felt that a larger one would be more satisfactory.

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The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Newspapers copying this advertisement without authority from the Department will not be paid.

A. L. JARVIS,
Assistant Deputy Minister, and Secretary of Agriculture.
Ottawa, Canada, 11th Nov., 1909.

CIVIC NOTICE

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to execute the following works of local improvement, namely:

1. To pave the Esquimalt road from the western boundary of the Songhees Indian Reserve to the city limits with tar macadam, and to construct permanent sidewalks of concrete on both sides of said road with curbs and gutters, including cost of expropriation of property;

2. To construct permanent sidewalks of concrete on the north side of Caledonia avenue from Blanchard avenue to Quadra street, and on btoh sides of Caledonia avenue from Quadra street to Cook street;

3. To grade, rock surface and drain Rudlin avenue from Chambers street to Fernwood road, and to construct permanent sidewalks on both sides thereof, and to expropriate certain real property on said avenue for the purpose of widening same to an average width of 40 feet throughout;

4. To grade, rock surface and drain Grant street, between Stanley avenue and Belmont avenue, and to construct permanent sidewalks of concrete on both sides of said street;

5. To expropriate property for the purpose of extending Burdette avenue to Linden avenue, and to construct permanent sidewalks on both sides of Burdette avenue from Cook street to Linden avenue;

And that each and all of said works shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Improvement General By-Law" and amendments thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said by-law upon each and every of said works of local improvement, giving statements showing the amounts estimated to be chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property to be benefited by the said works, and the reports of the City Engineer and City Assessor as aforesaid having been adopted by the Council,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the said reports are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street, and that unless a petition against any proposed work of local improvement above mentioned, signed by a majority of the owners of the land or real property to be assessed for such improvement, and representing at least one-half of the value of the said land or real property, is presented to the Council within fifteen days from the date of the first publication of this notice, the Council will proceed with the proposed improvement upon such terms and conditions as to the payment of the cost of such improvement as the Council may by by-law in that behalf regulate and determine.

WELLLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., Nov. 23rd, 1909.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, Nancy Irving, hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria, for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as the Goldstream Hotel, situated at Goldstream, in the district of Esquimalt.

(Signed) NANCY IRVING.

Dated this 1st day of November, 1909. malt, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1910.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, Charles J. McDonald, hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as the Mayne Island Hotel, situated at Mayne, in the district of North Victoria, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1910.

(Signed) CHARLES J. McDONALD.
Dated this 5th day of November, 1909.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, John Southwell, hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as the Oak Dell House Hotel, situated at Colwood, in the district of Esquimalt, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1910.

JOHN SOUTHWELL.
Dated this 3rd day of November, 1909.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, E. Marshall, hereby give notice that one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police, at Victoria, for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as "The Gorge Hotel," situated at Tillikum road, in the district of Esquimalt, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1910.

(Signed) E. MARSHALL.
Dated this 3rd day of November, 1909.

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OPPOSITION TO SUFFRAGETTES

RALPH S. BOND ADDRESSES GATHERING

He Urges Sinking Such Questions in View of Greater Matters.

Ralph S. Bond, of London, in an address before the Women's Canadian Club in the Driard hotel yesterday afternoon, dealt with the subject of woman's suffrage. He is opposed to the stand taken by the suffragettes in the Old Land. Before he closed he made a strong appeal on behalf of sinking all differences at the present time throughout the empire and devoting attention preparing to maintain the supremacy of the seas, a supremacy which he felt the German Empire was determined upon disputing.

The meeting was somewhat informal and was attended by the general public by request. Mrs. G. H. Barnard presided. She made it clear in introducing the speaker that the Woman's Club did not commit itself to any stand for or against woman's suffrage. They invited Mr. Bond to speak in an effort to become informed on all subjects.

Mr. Bond in dealing with the subject pointed out that all questions involving imperial policy and introducing any great change affected not only the home land, but the scattered parts of the Empire were liable to be affected. Mutual intercourse among the different parts of the Empire was calculated to inspire mutual confidence. He alluded also to the need of an imperial council where questions affecting the whole Empire might be considered.

If the Empire was to continue it was essential that there should be consolidation. This depended upon mutual interests, reciprocity in trade and a common system of defence by land and sea. The society he represented, the Anti-Suffrage League, did not court publicity. The suffragettes were forcing themselves to the front. The suffragettes were clamoring to be regarded as political offenders in their demonstrations. Under the laws of England there were no political offences. He traced the history of the present movement by the suffragettes, commencing with their demonstrations during the past eighteen months. As a result of it a few thoughtful women had bound themselves together feeling it would be inadvisable to have the demands of the suffragettes granted. The Woman's National Anti-Suffrage League was thus founded, and about the same time a number of men had formed a league along similar lines. The organization was entirely non-political. Every militant action by the suffragettes had the effect of swelling the ranks of the society he represented.

The suffragettes wanted the franchise on the same terms as it was granted to men. Even if the disqualification of sex was done away with the vast majority of women under the laws of England would not get a vote. This would not long exist. The poorer women would demand a vote as well as her richer sister. But when the move was made to give universal adult suffrage for all over 21 years of age the suffragettes opposed it. This would mean 15,000,000 on the voters' lists. The women were in the majority to the extent of 1,500,000. Under this condition women would govern England.

Mr. Bond took up some of the arguments used by the suffragettes. Upon men must rest the responsibility for enforcing the laws. Unless this was done there would be anarchy. Once the power to vote was granted, the right of women to sit in parliament and to hold executive offices would follow.

The argument that women were given the right to vote in municipal affairs was not conclusive. Municipal work was administrative not legislative.

Women did not constitute a class. They were a sex. They were represented by men. If the argument that those that pay taxes must have a vote it would mean universal suffrage. Women had their country and protection just the same as men. But in addition to this man had obligations. He was liable to serve his country on the [illegible] to do this. Women would thus be given votes on special terms. A man's vote represented his views and his readiness to enforce it. A woman's vote could only represent her view and someone else would have to enforce it.

It was not necessary for women to have the right to vote to represent their views. Statute after statute was passed by men to benefit women. The argument that it was necessary to have a vote in order to raise women's wages was not borne out by the facts. It was shown that there had been greater increases in women's wages than in men's. Domestic servants without a trade union and without votes had been increased 100 per cent in recent years.

After urging other reasons against granting the suffragettes their demands, Mr. Bond said the Empire was passing through a critical time. All should pull together to consolidate the Empire. The suffragettes should not press forward at this time. Two of the greatest powers in the world were arming themselves. Why had every officer of the German army to acquire an exact knowledge of some county in England? Everything pointed to Germany having designs upon England.

The Kaiser was building a great fleet. He had the finest army. His aim was undoubtedly to be supreme on land and sea.

In travelling through Canada he had come to the conclusion that the people of Canada did not fully realize the situation. If the command of the sea passed from England what was to become of Canada? He was glad Canada was founding a navy. If the empire remained in command of the sea it could dictate peace in the whole world.

It was provoking that at a time when a great danger was before the British empire that the suffragettes should interfere with the political situation.

In concluding he alluded to the part which women held as mothers and sisters to help in training those who were to be the soldiers, the sailors and the statesmen of Britain. In that way they would be doing a noble duty in handing down an heritage which was embodied in the words, "One flag, one King, one empire."

Applause greeted the effort of Mr. Bond.

A. E. McPhillips, K. C., moved a vote of thinks. During his speech he alluded to the remarks of Mr. Bond relative to Canada not taking the interest in the situation which he thought it should. Mr. McPhillips said there were two sides to this. He had while in England been impressed with the idea that Canada had no voice in the affairs of empire. That he thought, lessened the interest to some extent. He hoped, however, to see an imperial body representing all parts of the empire legislating for the whole.

Mrs. Rocke Robertson in seconding the vote of thanks said she did not admit that women were feeble-minded, but men were strong, and for that reason she was satisfied to let them legislate for her.

Mr. Bond after being accorded the vote of thanks said he did not intend any affront to the people of Canada. In England they felt keenly on the question of the danger of hostilities with Germany.

The meeting closed with singing "God Save the King."

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

(Special to the Times.)

Riviere du Loup, Que., Dec. 7.—Alfonse Elie Jalbert was caught in the shafting of Lachance's sawmill this morning and whirled to the ceiling, where he was battered to pieces.

TWO HUNDRED SLAIN IN BATTLE

REVOLUTIONISTS DEFEAT FORCES OF ZELAYA

Many Government Troops Made Prisoners by Victors.

(Times Leased Wire.)

New Oreans, La., Dec. 7.—The forces of President Zelaya, under General Vasquez, were defeated in a bloody engagment to-day by revolutionary forces of Provincial President Estrada, who re-encamped in the vicinity of Rama.

According to a wireless despatch from Managua via Port Limon, 200 were killed in the battle, which raged six hours.

The revolutionists captured several cannon and a large quantity of ammunition. Many of the government troops were captured and taken to Rama as prisoners of war.

The revolutionary forces under Gen. Metuty are in undisputed possession of Rama and the contiguous territory.

To-day's battle is supposed to have followed an attempt on the part of Zelayans to get outside the rebel lines preparatory to the general attack on Metuty's position which it is thought they are contemplating.

Fritz Kressler, the violinist who appears at the Victoria theatre to-morrow.

TWO WOMEN ARE BURNED TO DEATH

Hotel in Huntington, Quebec, is Destroyed by Fire.

(Special to the Times.)

Huntingdon, Que., Dec. 7.—Fire which started at four o'clock this morning destroyed the Central hotel. The aged aunt of Mrs. Taylor, wife of the owner, was burned to death in her room. She was 88 years of age. The property loss amounts to $5,000.

Lamp Explosion.

Cowansville, Que., Dec. 7.—Mrs. Pierre Horanviele, aged 60, was fatally burned at St. Friende Bolton last night, when her clothing caught fire from a lamp.

TWENTY-THREE KILLED.

Hamburg, Germany, Dec. 7.—Twenty-three persons were killed and 29 others were seriously injured in a gas explosion here to-day.

—The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. will be held to-morrow evening at 6 o'clock in the association rooms. All members are requested to be present, as business of importance is to be transacted.

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—Two small suits were heard in County court yesterday and disposed of. In Richards vs. Simpson, judgment for $16.25 and costs was given, J. A. Aikman for plaintiff and defendant in person contra. Sam Bill sued Bill John for a small sum and got judgment. Mr. Aikman appeared for him and S. Perry Mills, K. C., for the defendant.

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—The guarantees given by the management of the Victoria theatre regarding the merits of "The Travelling Salesmen" were fully borne out last night, and the audience which assembled showed its appreciation by frequent applause and curtain calls. Jas. Forbes' comedy has had a successful run in the cities of the East, and was presented here by a company which did the play full justice. The company was a well-balanced one, even the two tots who appeared in the opening act performing their parts with the airs of veterans.

—The funeral of the late John Fisher Wessel will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Company's parlors, Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard will officiate.

SKELTONS UNEARTH.

A ploughman at Ardee, County, Louth, has unearthed about fifty human skeletons in a field in the neighborhooh of which, three centuries ago, several battles were fought. The farmer has had the remains reinterred, and intends marking the spot with a cross.

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31—Fort and Quadra Sts.
32—Yates and Cook Sts.
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35—Fort St. and Stanley Ave.
36—Fort St. and Oak Bay Ave.
37—Fort St. and Richmond road.
38—Pembroke and Shakespeare Sts.
41—Pandora Ave. and Quadra St.
42—Caledonia Ave. and Blanchard St
43—Caledonia Ave. and Cook St.
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HABEAS CORPUS FOR WEST COAST INDIAN

Chief Justice Will Hear Argument To-morrow—George Sye Wants Release.

A writ of habeas corpus was applied for by R. C. Lowe this morning on behalf of George Sye, an Indian, who is serving three months in jail on a theft charge. Chief Justice Hunter granted an order nisi, and will hear argument to-morrow morning on a motion to make it absolute.

Sye was committed at Clayoquot on November 24th by John Grice, J. P., on a charge of stealing 174 feet of one-inch water pipe and one one-inch globe valve from the Sutton Lumber & Trading Company, Mosquito Harbor. On behalf of the prisoner it will be argued that he should have been tried by two justices or a stipendiary magistrate, and defect in the indictment will be alleged in that it does not state the value of the goods. H. D. Helmcken, K. C., is acting for the crown.

DEATH OF MISS A. SLATER.

Well Known Victorian Passed Away This Morning at the Family Residence.

The death occurred early this morning at the family residence, 2743 Quadra street, of Miss Annie Louise Slater, daughter of the late William Slater, of this city. Deceased had been ill many months and death was not wholly unexpected. The late Miss Slater was a native daughter, being born in this city 27 years ago. She received her education in this city and was well known and respected throughout Victoria. A mother and two sisters survive her.

The funeral has been arranged to take place on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the B. C. Funeral Furnishing company's parlors, Government street.

CHRISTMAS STAMPS.

Means Taken to Increase Funds of Anti-Tuberculosis Society.

In aid of the B. C. Anti-Tuberculosis Society very neat Christmas stamps have been prepared and are on sale in a number of stores. The stamp this year has been specially prepared by the local society and is printed in red and green, containing the words "British Columbia Anti-Tuberculosis Society—Merry Xmas—Happy New Year." A small cross with double cross bars, the emblem used by those fighting the white plague.

Miss Bowron is in charge of the sale of the stamps in Victoria for the society. They sell at one cent each, and are attached to Christmas parcels being sent out, expressing holiday good wishes, and at the same time calling attention to the work against tuberculosis.

TRIAL OF FORMER OFFICER.

Governor of Washington Declares Ortis Hamilton Confessed to Misappropriation of Funds.

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 7.—All morning Governor Hay was on the stand at the trial of Ortis Hamilton, former adjutant-general, and was subjected to the most grilling cross-examination by Attorneys Vance and Robinson, counsel for the defence. He answered questions in a concise manner, and on several occasions he waited until the court ruled they were proper.

The attorneys for the defence raised point after point, but Governor Hay could not be shaken from his story of yesterday afternoon when he told how on May 5th, the day of his arrest, Hamilton confessed in the governor's office with Governor Hay and Attorney-General W. P. Bell present to misappropriation of funds.

STORM DELAYS TRAFF...

Train Service in Western ... moralized—Lake Nav... Suspended.

Denver, Col., Dec. ... breaking cold wave ... west and south to-d... snow already has ... and it is still sno... the grip of the w... winter and all ... a standstill. L... been suspende... throughout the... moralized.

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GRAND CHRISTMAS SALE
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20 PER CENT. DISCOUNT AND 40 BIG PRIZES
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Every one of them. This is really an Xmas sale event.
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MAIL STARTS ON 2,000 MILE JAUNT TO NORTH

Seven Hundred Pounds of Matter Leave Edmonton for the Arctic.

The Arctic mail left Edmonton at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon last in charge of Alick Loutit. About the end of January it will reach its destination—Fort McPherson, on the Peel river, about 40 miles from the point where the great McKenzie river debouches into the Arctic ocean. A sleigh piled up with mail bags drove away from the Hudson's Bay company's store, to all appearances an ordinary delivery wagon. Its delivery will not be completed for two full months. At Lac La Biche three dog trains are in waiting for their 2,000 mile journey with messages from Christendom up into the land where the sun does not shine in winter.

The mail was made up in two packets, one for Fort Resolution on Great Slave Lake, and the other for Fort McPherson. From the Fort Resolution mail, delivery will be made at the Hudson Bay company's posts on the way north. The Ft. McPherson mail will go straight through in charge of drivers to be selected ... Fort Resolution. From the ... Resolution mail, deliveries ... made at Fort McMurray, ... million, Fort Smith and o... the way up.

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Could be more appreciated by the one whom you wish to please than a
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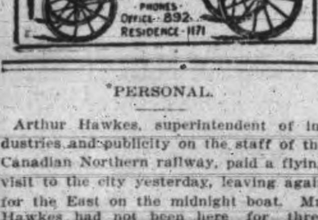

PERSONAL.

Arthur Hawkes, superintendent of industries and publicity on the staff of the Canadian Northern railway, paid a flying visit to the city yesterday, leaving again for the East on the midnight boat. Mr. Hawkes had not been here for three years and is planning to make a longer trip to the Coast shortly.

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R. Marpole, assistant executive agent of the C. P. R., with headquarters at Vancouver, came over from the Mainland last night and registered at the Empress. He is here on departmental business and will return to Vancouver this evening.

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Denis Murphy, of Ashcroft, who has been appointed to a position on the Supreme court bench, is in the city, a guest at the Empress hotel. He will be sworn in and take his seat on the bench immediately.

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John Piercy, of Prince Rupert, and his daughter, are on a visit to the city.

MANGLED BY SHAFT.

(Special to the Times.)

Calgary, Dec. 7.—Oliver Chapman, an employee at the cement works, had his head and legs torn off this morning when caught in the shaft and whirled to death. He was 26 years of age and unmarried.

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Children.

BY-LAW GOES TO ELECTORS

COUNCIL TAKES ACTION ON BOARD OF CONTROL

System Has Worked Well in Other Canadian Cities.

The city solicitor was instructed at last night's meeting of the council to prepare a by-law for the creation of a board of control and submit the same to the council at the earliest possible date. If the necessary arrangements can be made this by-law will be passed by the council and then referred to the electors at the same time as the municipal elections. The city solicitor forwarded a report on the workings of the system, which was read last evening, and Mayor Hall buttressed the arguments in favor of the plan by a number of telegrams which he had received from the mayors of those cities in Canada which are working under the board of control system. Ald. Hanna, who was present in the audience, was given an opportunity to say a word on the matter as he has een prominent in the agitation look- to the inauguration of the system is city. The report of the city was as follows:

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the United States are using government by commission under special charters from the state legislature.

We have to point out to the council that the provisions of the municipal act, authorizing the creation of boards of control, are deficient in making no provision for a quorum of the board. This will create a difficulty that the three members must be unanimous in all their actions, and should a vacancy occur, nothing can be done by the board until it is filled; whilst if one member is absent from any cause the same result ensues.

Furthermore there is no provision for the recall of any member of the board, as is found in provisions dealing with municipal government by commissioners. Twenty-five per cent of the electorate can recall on petition.

There is danger under the present provisions of a conflict of opinion arising between the board and the council, inasmuch as every action of the board of control, as it must be constituted, can be rescinded or varied by a two-thirds vote of the council, and this danger is not guarded against in any way.

Amendment Needed.

We regard these objections as necessitating an amendment during the next session of the House. The existence of the defects would not prevent the council, if they are so determined, from passing the by-law this year.

We desire to add that it has been explained to us by Mr. Hanna that the desire of the citizens consulted by him is to have it distinctly understood that an up-to-date administrative is sought, qualified and willing to satisfy governmental requirements co-incident with the existing and anticipated growth of the city and the necessarily increasing volume of public work, and is in no way intended as a reflection upon the work of past councils or the present. MASON & MANN.

The extract of the provisions of the act under which this city would, should the board of control idea be favored by the electors, operate are set forth by the solicitors as follows:

By section 322b a by-law is necessary, which may be passed at any time, directing city business for next ensuing year to be managed by board of control. Mayor of the year and two comptrollers to be nominated and elected.

(1) Duration of office depends upon
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(4) Secretary or clerk of board to be appointed.

(5) Additional duties may be assigned to board by council. Board at request of council by resolution on one week's notice to give to council copies of minutes of its meetings and all information.

(6) Nothing in this section shall prevent the council by a vote of the majority of the council present and voting from referring back to the board of control any report, question, matter or thing for reconsideration.

(7) Resolution of council reversing or dealing with action of council requires votes of yeas and nays to be recorded in minutes.

(8) School board, police commissioners and other boards to furnish the board of control, on or before 1st March, in each year, with annual estimates.

(9) Board have no power over sub-officers in fire department, nor sub-officers under assessment commissioner; nor to representatives of the council at or upon the board of any corporation to which the council sends a representative.

(10) Preserves power to council by a two-thirds vote to set aside or alter, and by a simple majority to form or refer back.

Section 322d provides that by-law before final passage must go to the mayor's list of electors in the same manner as to giving notice and taking vote as money by-laws. Three-fifths majority is required to assent, and then council must finally pass by-law. It must be specially noted that the statutes makes no provision for a quorum of the board.

Terms of By-Law.

The following are the requirements for the by-law: The words of the first portion of section 322b must be followed, then direct submission to electors; appoint returning officer and deputy returning officer and place and time of holding election. By-law should name the day of nomination, which is directed to be as provided for the nomination of mayor, viz., the 2nd Monday in January from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

The salary of the members of the board of control should be fixed by this by-law, and it should be considered whether any additional duties are to be given to the board than hereinafter enumerated. Probably provision can be made that two members of the board form a quorum. Provided all minutes shall be signed by all the members of the board before becoming operative. Provisions should be made for daily (or otherwise) sitting of the board. Usual clause to submit for consent of electors on mayor's list.

The following suggestion of the city solicitors is offered for consideration as an alternative to a "Board of Control," which board canont take hold of things until 1911 unless the council of this year pass a by-law using existing statutory powers and amending present "Council By-law," form an "executive committee," mayor to naminate and council to ballot for and appoint two aldermen willing to give the requisite time and attention (one hour every alternate morning should suffice.) These aldermen should have been (within the previous three years) chairmen of committees, preferably taking chairman of finance and street committees, the mayor to be ex-officio chairman and two to form a quorum. Give to the executive power to act, with the limitations imposed on the council by statute, or by the by-laws, or by resolutions of the several committees (which will be continued.) The executive committee will act upon resolutions of committees and in urgent matters, upon reports and recommendations of responsible heads of departments, and it will further save the time of the council and the committees particularly in receiving delegations and deputations and petitions; dealing with correspondence ordering and approving by-laws, and when approved and previously circulated, new by-laws, when before the council, can be "taken as read."

Committee Work.

The work of the several committees would be considerably reduced as in minor questions new matter would be referred straight to the executive. Action would be taken on orders of executive. Complete records of executive to be kept and open to inspection and to be reported each council meeting with power on two-thirds vote to reverse action. An essential will be: Periodical reports by heads of departments to executive; and there should be allowed a limited assumption of responsibility by heads of departments.

The council need only meet fortnightly or monthly, but as a safeguard any alderman should have the right to put, through the mayor (with forty-eight hours' notice) a question in writing to be answered to the council in writing by any head of a department. Existing aldermen's idemnity authorization would require amendment by enabling special limited remuneration to executive, contingent upon time necessarily given to public work; otherwise statutory provisions to remain, as it is to indemnify for time given by aldermen in committee. The amendment would probably be granted in cases of cities with over 20,000 inhabitants; at the same time it should perhaps be sought to increase the mayor's entertainment allowance (now $1,000).

Mayor Hall, on the report of the solicitors being read, said that he had thought it well to ascertain from the mayors of the cities in Canada, which were working under boards of control, a statement as to how the system had vorked, and his worship read replies om Edmonton, Winnipeg, Toronto and tawa, and in each case the mayors d that the boards of control had ked with the utmost satisfaction, strongly urged Victoria to get in

Raymond was in favor of a spe- mmittee of the council being d to deal with the matter and ort back to the council.

llerton said it was absurb for ers of the council to debate, gs of the system. The fact ie people had asked for a submitted, and the coun- rant the request at the ble date. The system it to follow had been de- e, and it was ridiculous in talking about how it They should first of all people wanted it. He city solicitor be asked by-law at once. This y Ald. Bishop. ner's request ex-Ald. Hanna was asked to say something about the system he favored introducing in Victoria.

Mr. Hanna said that in view of the information contained in the telegrams which the mayor had read from the various cities in Canada, what he could say would be of very little value. He would explain, however, that in the present agitation for a change in the system of municipal government no reflection was intended upon anyone. But everyone would admit that the present system had broken down. No one could say that this city was being conducted along business lines.

Ald. McKeown repeated what he said at a former meeting, that if the board of control would undertake to see that the city officials would do their work properly no doubt the system would work well, but not otherwise.

Ald. Stewart said he had been of the opinion that the members of the board of control would be out around town superintending the work in progress, but he understood now that this was not the case—that they set in the city hall for about two hours per day and did all their work there. He believed that if they had a good engineering department they would not need a board of control.

Ald. Henderson said the main thing to be said in favor of the system was that three men were placed in complete charge of all departments. The officials would look to these three men for their instructions, and they would be inclined to follow those instructions as they would know that the controllers were right there to see that they carried out their work properly. The result he believed would be an improvement over the present system.

The motion then carried.

PANTAGES THEATRE.

There is variety enough at the popular Johnson street playhouse, Pantages theatre, this week to please the most fastidious. Mantell's Marionettes are pleasing to the young and old alike, and are a scream from start to finish. Nip and Tuck, Arabian Acrobats, do some really marvellous acts. Miss Josephine Regal does a very high class musical act. Michael Hooley, Irish comedian; Eborel and an exceedingly funny subject on the biograph close the bill.

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The decorating committee under the direction of Detective Clayards is commencing decoration work at the building to-day. The decorations will be made on an extensive scale and Sergeant Carson is head of the committee that is looking after the floor preparations.

For the convenience of guests a board platform will be laid from the car terminus to the hall, and it will be covered in and well lighted. For convenience of guests arriving by carriage special arrangements will be made. The drivers and owners will hold numbered tickets for the convenience of the carriage being found at the time of departure. The B. C. Electric company has arranged for a special car service. Cars will leave Government street every ten minutes between 8 and 9 o'clock, and cars will leave on the return between 1.30 and 3 a. m. The refreshments are in the hands of Detective Perdue and Constable Turner, and Constable Duncan has charge of the check system at the cloak rooms. Miss Thain's orchestra will supply the music for the following programme:

Extra waltz; Lancers, National airs; waltz, Marsovia; two step, Raggity Rag; waltz, Beverly of Graustack; two step, Repass Band; barn, Three Twins; waltz, Songs D'Autumme; three step, Lucky Moon; waltz, L'Estudiantina; two step, Black and White; waltz, An American Heiress; three extras; waltz, Wine, Woman and Song; two step, Col. Stuart's March; waltz, Visions of Salome; barn, Four Little Blackbirds; two step, Tammany on Parade; lancers, Union Jack; waltz, Just Someone; two step, Cubanola Glide; waltz, Merry Widow; two step, Big Night To-night; waltz, Jolly Fellows.

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Social and Personal

R. Slade went over to the mainland last night.

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Mrs. Hall is on a visit to the Terminal city.

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Miss Foster is visiting friends in Vancouver.

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N. Barnard crossed over to the mainland last night.

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Mrs. P. Kennedy, of Seattle, is on a visit to this city.

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Dr. Fagan left last night for Vancouver on the Princess Victoria. He will afterwards proceed on a visit of a number of the inland cities.

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Miss Stevens, of this city, is on a visit to Vancouver.

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E. Terreault has been spending several days in Seattle.

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H. Ellwell was among yesterday's arrivals from Seattle.

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C. C. Bethune is spending a few days in Vancouver on business.

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C. A. Crossley was among last night's passengers for Vancouver.

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E. A. Morris left last night on a business trip to Vancouver.

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Miss K. Nesbitt arrived from the Sound yesterday afternoon.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. Parker were passengers from Seattle yesterday.

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C. W. Wilson left for Vancouver last night on the Princess Victoria.

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D. M. Carley, proprietor of the Ladysmith Chronicle, is in the city.

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Capt. R. G. Tatlow went over to Vancouver last night on a business trip.

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Mrs. Luckwood is leaving on Friday for the west coast on the steamer Tees.

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Miss McCrum and Miss Turner were passengers for the Terminal city last night.

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Miss L. Anderson and Miss M. Anderson were passengers from Seattle yesterday.

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Mr. Brownlee returned from Seattle yesterday, where he has been visiting friends.

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Geo. Fox returned to this city yesterday from Seattle on the Princess Victoria.

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Mrs. Hall was among the passengers on the Princess Victoria for Vancouver last night.

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W. Devine, of this city, who has been on a business trip to Seattle, returned yesterday.

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W. G. Clayton and W. J. Morley were passengers from Seattle yesterday on the Princess Victoria.

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Mrs. Walter Langley, who has been spending several days in Seattle, returned to this city yesterday.

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Hugh Grant and family, 1286 Pandora avenue, left Saturday evening for High Bluff, Manitoba, where they will remain for the winter.

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Mrs. C. S. Lyons will receive tomorrow at 2109 Vancouver street, corner of Pembroke street, and every second Wednesday after.

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Among the passengers from Seattle yesterday on the Princess Charlotte were: R. Tolmie, O. Hayden, E. Smith, W. P. Pritchard, F. West and H. Holbrook.

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Miss C. Edith Howell, of this city, who recently went to Regina to live, is enjoying life on the prairies. Miss Howell has a lucrative position as stenographer in an office in Regina.

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December 15th is the date of the annual ball of the local section of the International Geneva Association of Hotel and Restaurant Employees and the dance will take place at the Broad street hall. A committee, consisting of Messrs. Heeg, Rosshirt, Wurmel, Strassburg, Klaus and Griffaton, has been appointed and an enjoyable evening is assured. The International Geneva Association was founded in Geneva, Switzerland, 1877, and has at present a membership of over 14,000 with head offices in Dresden, New York, Vienna, London, Capetown and branches all over the globe. Their object is to train members for the hotel trade in every detail, provide them with employment and assist them in need and sickness.

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WASHOUT ON E. & N. RAILWAY

Herewith is a view of the damage done by the recent floods at 102 bridge on the E. & N. railway in the vicinity of Ladysmith. The fill was washed away for a distance of four hundred feet, and the track can be seen suspended in mid-air. The damage is being repaired with all possible haste, and it is hoped to have trains running without interruption by the end of the week. In the interim the passengers have to transfer between the two trains, which meet at either side of the break. A large pile driver has been secured from the mainland and is now employed in the work of restoring the timbers which were washed away.

MUNICIPALITY MISREPRESENTED

QUESTION RAISED AT OAK BAY COUNCIL

Councillor Oliver Objects to Statement That Floods Occurred.

Councillor Oliver at last night's meeting of the Oak Bay council referred to the exaggerated accounts of flooding in the Oak Bay municipality, which had appeared in the Colonist newspaper. He, in going around the municipality after the big rain, had been congratulating himself on the splendid way in which the water had been carried off. The council had spent a large amount of money on drains and had used pipes which were considered by some much too large for the purpose. Then to be told that the district was flooded he thought scarcely fair and certainly not true. He did not think the item which referred to the condition of things was written by a member of the newspaper staff, the language used betraying the source from which it came. He asked the engineer what he thought of it.

Engineer Fowler explained that one of the pipes in a surface drain had been broken and this stoppage had caused a small pool, but when he went to examine it on the Monday there was scarcely any water in sight. He thought the report was much exaggerated.

The matter of surface drainage and the allowing of sewerage to pass into the same was also a matter of discussion at the meeting last night. Clerk Floyd was asked to read the notice he had sent out to householders. This he did, and after some little discussion it was decided to refer any inquirers to the resolution passed by the board at a previous meeting. In concluding this discussion the reeve facetiously remarked that if the city reservoir continued to leak at the present rate there would be no need to worry about keeping the surface drains flushed.

One of the momentous questions discussed at great length by the council was whether the action of the streets committee, of which Councillor Noble is chairman, should be indorsed by the council in regard to moving the telephone from the municipal stables to Constable Dawson's house.

Councillor Noble thought it would be unwise to be without a means of communicating with the outside world, especially as the rock crusher was working near by. The rest of the council did not seem to agree with this so [illegible] of the report, which was carried.

The report of the roads and bridges committee showed that Police Constable Steele had been relieved of his duties by the reeve, and that this action had been confirmed by the committee. It also showed that a number of small matters had been dealt with by the committee.

The letter of the Bishop of Columbia asking for the use of the municipal hall was withdrawn, as arrangements had been made with the school trustees to have the use of the old school building. This, it was pointed out, was beyond the powers of the trustees, and they were asked to annul any arrangement entered into. Notice was given that a by-law would be introduced at the next meeting of the council asking the people to give permission to sell the old schoolhouse. This will be voted on at the time of the municipal election.

Arrangements will probably be made with the trustees of the school to have the voting conducted in one of the unused class rooms. The nominations will take place in the municipal hall. Clerk Floyd will be the returning officer with power to appoint deputies.

A special charter has been prepared for the municipality of Oak Bay, giving wider powers than those at present enjoyed. Councillor Oliver stated that he thought there would be no opposition to this from surrounding corporations if the matter were discussed with them beforehand. This will be done by the law committee.

Those present at the meeting were Reeve Henderson, and Councillors Newton, Oliver, McGregor and Noble.

JUST CURED HIM THAT WAS ALL

What Dodd's Kidney Pills Did for Thomas Moon.

Doctors Could Not Cure His Dropsy, But Kidney Pills Cleared it Out Completely.

Maidstone, Sask., Dec. 6.—(Special)—"Cured me completely. That's what Dodd's Kidney Pills did for me." Such is the statement made by Thomas Moon, a well known resident of this place who for years suffered with Dropsical Swellings brought on by diseased Kidneys.

"I had pains in the small of my back," Mr. Moon continues, "and across the loins. The swelling commenced first in my legs and gradually got to my body. I tried different doctors but kept getting worse every day until I was swollen up to an awful size.

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ROLLING ROUND THE WORLD.

Two Italians who are travelling round the world in a barrel arrived at Dover, England, recently.

Their names are Zanadi Attilius and Vicinello Eugene, and for a wager of $6,000 they are endeavoring to circle the globe in a barrel three yards long and about four feet in diameter. They take turns, one man rolling the barrel while the other sits inside. The conditions are that they must get their food and clothing by selling post cards in the towns through which they pass.

The men say they began their journey on June 20th last at Vienna, and proceeded through France. The time to be occupied in the attempt is twelve years.

Careful estimates show that each year there are interred within the limits of the county of London about 130,000 human bodies.

WOOD BLOCKS FOR DOUGLAS

CITY ENGINEER TOPP NAMES THE PAVEMENT

Lighting Scheme for Same Thoroughfare to Be Taken Up Promptly.

Douglas street, on the section running from Humboldt to Cormorant street is to be paved with wood blocks and the work is to be undertaken at the earliest possible date. This decision was reached at the meeting of the city council last evening. The type of pavement was made known in a special report from the city engineer and the announcement that the work would be gone on with at once instead of waiting until the spring was made to a deputation who waited on the board previous to the regular proceedings.

This deputation of property owners on Douglas street was made up of Capt. McCallum, P. R. Brown, A. E. Todd and W. Challoner. Capt. McCallum, presented a petition from the large majority of the owners praying the council to proceed with the work of paving at once, and another asking that the lighting of that street as defined in a previous communication be also gone on with.

In regard to the lighting, Ald. Mable, chairman of the electric light committee, said that the report was not yet ready but the matter had been taken up with Mr. Hutcheson, superintendent of the electric light department. He would remind the deputation, however, that the question was one which demanded some serious consideration, as the expense involved would have to be borne by the whole city. While the improvement to Douglas street would benefit the property on that thoroughfare much of the expense would have to be borne by the ratepayers generally.

Mr. Challoner expressed himself as somewhat disappointed with the remarks of Ald. Mable. He thought it was beyond dispute that if the street was lighted as was intended the whole city would benefit. It would follow that property on Douglas street, because of the improvement would be assessed at higher figures and the property owners would be glad to pay whatever extra was asked from them. He could not see why there should be the slightest objection to going ahead with the work.

Ald. Mable said that the committee would take the matter up promptly and endeavor to have a report ready for next Friday evening's meeting of the streets committee and then the order for the work to proceed could pass at the next regular meeting of the council.

ORGAN FUND.

Concert to Be Given in Aid of New Instrument for Metropolitan Church.

On the evening of New Year's Day a concert will be given by the choir of the Metropolitan Methodist church in the auditorium of the church. This concert is being given for the purpose of raising the amount of $1,000 promised by the choir to aid in the purchasing of the proposed new organ for the church.

The choir on the evening of the entertainment will consist of sixty voices and some of the choruses of the great masters will be given. A number of solos will be sung by members of the choir. The programme, which is being prepared, is an elaborate one and that the entertainment to be given will prove one of the leading ones of the season is beyond doubt. Regular practices of the choir are being held and on the evening of the entertainment the choir will be in excellent shape.

The proposed new organ will cost in the neighborhood of $10,000 and is expected to be one of the best on the coast. Towards the fund $6,000 has already been pledged and it is hoped that the proposition will be successfully carried through. A ready response has so far been made by the various organizations of the church.

The present organ has been in use for considerable time. It has been felt that a larger one would be more satisfactory.

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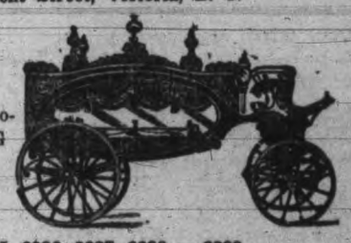

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for supplies for the Quarantine Station.

The following supplies are required:
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Meat;
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Uniforms, and other articles of apparel;
Vegetables.

Forms may be obtained by application to the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, or to the Medical Superintendent at Quarantine.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Newspapers copying this advertisement without authority from the Department will not be paid.

A. L. JARVIS,
Assistant Deputy Minister, and Secretary of Agriculture.
Ottawa, Canada, 11th Nov., 1909.

CIVIC NOTICE

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria having determined that it is desirable to execute the following works of local improvement, namely:

1. To pave the Esquimalt road from the western boundary of the Songhees Indian Reserve to the city limits with tar macadam, and to construct permanent sidewalks of concrete on both sides of said road with curbs and gutters, including cost of expropriation of property;
2. To construct permanent sidewalks of concrete on the north side of Caledonia avenue from Blanchard avenue to Quadra street, and on btoh sides of Caledonia avenue from Quadra street to Cook street;
3. To grade, rock surface and drain Rudlin avenue from Chambers street to Fernwood road, and to construct permanent sidewalks on both sides thereof, and to expropriate certain real property on said avenue for the purpose of widening same to an average width of 40 feet throughout;
4. To grade, rock surface and drain Grant street, between Stanley avenue and Belmont avenue, and to construct permanent sidewalks of concrete on both sides of said street;
5. To expropriate property for the purpose of extending Burdette avenue to Linden avenue, and to construct permanent sidewalks on both sides of Burdette avenue from Cook street to Linden avenue;

And that each and all of said works shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the "Local Improvement General By-Law" and amendments thereto, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of the said by-law upon each and every of said works of local improvement, giving statements showing the amounts estimated to be chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property to be benefited by the said works, and the reports of the City Engineer and City Assessor as aforesaid having been adopted by the Council.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the said reports are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street, and that unless a petition against any proposed work of local improvement above mentioned, signed by a majority of the owners of the land or real property to be assessed for such improvement, and representing at least one-half of the value of the said land or real property, is presented to the Council within fifteen days from the date of the first publication of this notice, the Council will proceed with the proposed improvement upon such terms and conditions as to the payment of the cost of such improvement as the Council may by by-law in that behalf regulate and determine.

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City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., Nov. 22rd, 1909.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, Nancy Irving, hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria, for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as the Goldstream Hotel, situated at Goldstream, in the district of Esquimalt, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1910.

(Signed) NANCY IRVING.

Dated this 1st day of November, 1909.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, Charles J. McDonald, hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as the Mayne Island Hotel, situated at Mayne, in the district of North Victoria, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1910.

(Signed) CHARLES J. McDONALD.

Dated this 5th day of November, 1909.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, John Southwell, hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as the Oak Dell House Hotel, situated at Colwood, in the district of Esquimalt, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1910.

JOHN SOUTHWELL.

Dated this 3rd day of November, 1909.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, E. Marshall, hereby give notice that one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police, at Victoria, for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as "The Gorge Hotel," situated at Tillikum road, in the district of Esquimalt, to commence on the 1st day of January, 1910.

(Signed) E. MARSHALL.

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SCHOONERS TAKING LUMBER FREIGHTS

Little Grain Export Owing to Market Conditions in Europe.

The wheat shipping situation on Puget Sound occupies a position that is unique in the experiences of local shipping men. The export demand is practically nil, primarily due to market conditions in Europe and partly to the excess or rail shipments to Portland from the wheat country to the east, and partly to the increasing demand from California millers who have kept values higher than those which will make grain attractive to the exporter.

The southern mills are taking practically all the grain that is offering and the freight rate of $1.75 a ton from the Sound to California is firming up and may take an advance as soon as the lumber trade has the coastwise bottoms pretty well absorbed and the regular line of steamers have the independent eliminated from the traffic.

The presence of an occasional stray carrier, such as the steamer J. L. Luckenback, however, makes the situation too delicate to warrant an immediate increase in rates. The Luckenback, loading at Sound ports for New York, will complete her cargo at San Francisco and on the way down to California will carry a good quantity of wheat taken on at Seattle and Tacoma.

The steam schooners which, in the extremity of the lean seasons following the collapse of the building boom in California, fought the regular steamship lines for all kinds of freight, have practically deserted the grain trade. Although built specially for the lumber trade, when the lumber freights fell off, these vessels cut into the wheat business at a rate which practically diverted all of the grain from the regular lines for a time.

With the lumber rates rapidly approaching the high figures of three and four years ago the steam schooners are returning to it exclusively and the regular lines of steamers running south are putting into commission cargo carriers which have been lying at anchor for months.

WEIR FLEET.

Movements of Vessels of Bank Line and Australian Mail Line.

The present location of the vessels of the fleet operated by Waterhouse & Co. is as follows: Aymeric, arrived Yokohama from Vancouver, November 22nd; Century, at Newcastle, N. S. W.; Hyndford, sailed from San Francisco for New Zealand and Australia, October 30th; Katanga, sailed Newcastle for San Francisco via Apia, November 1st; Kumeric, sailed Yokohama for Victoria, etc., December 1st; Oceano, arrived Tacoma from Orient, December 1st; Quito, arrived Moji, en route for Calcutta, November 17th; Riverdale, sailed San Francisco for Apia, Auckland and Sydney, November 20th; Strathfillan, sailed from Seattle for Manila, November 4th; Suveric, sailed Victoria for regular Oriental ports, November 24th; Tymeric, arrived Vancouver, December 1st, to sail from San Francisco on Australian mail line, December 17th.

SHIPPING REPORT

Tatoosh, Dec. 7, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; wind southeast, 26 miles; bar., 29.50; temp., 39; sea moderate; in, steamer President, at 4 a. m.; in, steam schooner, at 7:15 a. m.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 7, 8 a. m.—Rain; wind southeast; bar., 29.36; temp., 30. Spoke steamer Portland, north bound, at 7:15 p. m.

Point Grey, Dec. 7, 8 a. m.—Clear; wind southeast; bar., 29.45; temp., 33.

Pachena, Dec. 7, 8 a. m.—Rain; dirty weather; ugly appearance; bar., 29.33; temp., 40; sea rough.

Estevan, Dec. 7, 8 a. m.—Hail; wind southeast; dirty weather; bar., 29.38; temp., 30; sea rough.

Cape Lazo, Dec. 7, noon.—Cloudy; S. E. gale; bar., 29.43; temp., 36; sea rough; spoke Princess May, southbound, at noon, which reported steamer Quadra at Fog Rock Buoy, Millbank Sound, last night.

Point Grey, Dec. 7, noon.—Cloudy; S. E. gale; bar., 29.52; temperature, 35.

Tatoosh, Dec. 7, noon.—Part cloudy; wind S. E., 24 miles; bar., 29.57; temp., 39; sea moderate.

Estevan, Dec. 7, noon.—Passing showers; wind S. E.; bar., 29.44; temp., 44; sea rough.

Estevan, Dec. 7, noon.—Passing showers; wind S. E.; bar., 29.44; temp., 44; sea rough.

Pachena, Dec. 7, noon.—Passing showers; fresh S. E. wind; bar., 29.41; temp., 43; sea rough; large 2-masted steamer, with black funnel eastbound, 11:30.

Steamer Newington, of the marine department, is leaving to-day for the west coast with supplies for the lighthouses and construction supplies.

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There was a fierce gale raging off Cape Flattery last night at 8, at times reaching 90 miles an hour. Steamer President took refuge for some time under Destruction Island, coming on when the weather moderated early this morning.

ADMIRALTY CASE TO BE HEARD TO-MORROW

Collision of Charmer and Bermuda Gives Rise to Lawsuit.

To-morrow the Court of Admiralty will hear the collision case of the Charmer versus the Bermuda, court sitting at 10:30 a. m.

Mr. Justice Martin, as judge of the Exchequer Court of Canada in Admiralty, will preside and will be assisted by Captain Parry, R. N., of H. M. S. Egeria, and Captain Musgrave, of the Canadian government steamer Lillooet, as nautical assessors.

The accident occurred about a year ago, when the Charmer was struck by the Bermuda as she was leaving Vancouver and a big hole torn in her bow.

SEATTLE BOATS WILL LAY OVER ON SUNDAY

Victoria to Be Port of Call for the Princess Beatrice.

The date of the Seattle lay over is to be changed to Sundays by the C. P. R. boats, during the winter months, so that the present inconvenience of mail facilities will be minimized. This announcement was made this morning at the meeting of the council of the board of trade when a letter from Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, saying that as there was not sufficient business for a third boat during the water to make a seven-day run to Seattle, even if the C. P. R. had a boat available, Sir Thomas had arranged for Capt. Troup to make the change as outlined. The date of the alteration was not stated in the letter.

Referring to the Beatrice not calling at Victoria on her last trip down from the north, Sir Thomas wrote, in reply to a telegram sent from the board of trade asking for this matter to be remedied, that in future the schedule would be arranged that Victoria would be a port of call for the Beatrice.

The alteration in the northern service means that the local merchants will now be in a position to command a share of the northern business and fill the orders received by the Beatrice on her return trip. This heretofore has been impossible, as the boat has not called at Victoria, and has left Vancouver before the mail from the north was delivered to Victoria merchants. Sir Thomas' letter stated he had asked Capt. Troup to rearrange his schedule to overcome this difficulty.

THE ROSALIND REPORTED.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 7.—Fears for the safety of the Red Cross liner Rosalind, bound for this port from New York, via Halifax, were dismissed tonight when the vessel, which was many days overdue, reported to her agents by wireless via Cape Race, that she is about five miles off this port hidden in the dense fog. The Rosalind has a number of New York passengers aboard. She left Halifax for this port on Tuesday morning and ran into the tempest which centered off southwestern Newfoundland for several days.

MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS

(Times Leased Wire.)

Seattle—Arrived, steamer Nebraskan from Bellingham; Jap steamer Seattle Maru; Tacoma, U. S. steamer Tahoma, Port Townsend; steamer Jefferson, Skagway.

Sailed: Steamer J. L. Luckenbach, Tacoma.

Seward—Sailed: Steamer Bertha for Valdez.

Wrangel—Arrived: Steamer Cottage City, Seattle. Sailed: Steamer Cottage City, Skagway.

Hilo—Arrived: schooner James Rolph, Port Ludlow.

Honolulu—Arrived: Steamer Arizonan, Tacoma.

Shanghai—Arrived, previously: Nor. steamer Guernsey, from Portland, Ore. via Comox and Victoria.

Hong Kong—Sailed: British steamer Empress of India for Vancouver.

San Francisco—Arrived: Steamer Doris, Grays Harbor, steamer Rainier, Astoria, steamer Rose City, Portland; steamer Governor, Seattle; steamer Cascade, Astoria; steamer Atlas, Seattle; towing barge No. 2, British steamer Bessie Dollar, Tsing Tau, French barque Emma Laurans from Hobart. Sailed: U.S. steamer Logan, for Manila; steamer Chehalis, Grays Harbor.

Aberdeen—Arrived: Steamer Grays Harbor from San Francisco; steamer Centralia from San Francisco.

Hoquiam—Arrived: Steamer Bowdoin, from San Francisco.

Steamer Queen, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, leaves for the south to-morrow morning with passengers and freight for San Francisco. The rates on this line have been lowered for the winter months, a cut of two dollars each way having been made on all steamers, both from this port and from Seattle.

SEALERS GOING SOUTH EARLY

PESCAWHA AND JESSIE PREPARING FOR HUNT

Number of Schooners Will Again Try Their Luck After Valuable Pelts.

The sealing schooners are already preparing for next season's hunt. Both Captain Bert Balcolm of the Pescawha and Captain Wm. Munroe of the Jessie are trying to secure hunters for their vessels, and there is keen competition to secure the very best men that Victoria can supply. There are not as many seal hunters as in former years and as so much of the success of the voyage depends upon the skill of the men, the captains and the owners are both anxious to secure the best. The two vessels will get away to the California hunting grounds just as early as possible and will go farther south than usual. It was by going farther south last year that some of the schooners secured a larger number of pelts than usual. The difficulty in doing so is that there is danger of not being able to beat up the coast again in time to engage in the hunt off the coast of British Columbi as the herd passes north.

No word has yet been received of the other schooners, but indications are that there will be quite as many go out this year as last, because the season was on the whole an encouraging one. The Eva Marie was the only schooner that did not make money, and Captain Jacobsen may decide to remain at home, or at any fate to make only a short trip. He usually is one of the top-notchers in the hunt, but last year luck was against him, the weather having much to do with the smallness of his catch.

Schooner Umbrina, which was not sent out last year, and which rumor reported on one or two occasions to be nearly sold, may enter the business once more.

It seems certain that the local owners of schooners do not look upon the business as wholly played out or they would not be so keen to send out their vessels. There is a good deal of the gamble about sealing which appeals to the spirit of the west.

It is not certain when the Pescawha and Jessie will leave. They may get away before Christmas, or at the latest, early in January.

SHIPPING GUIDE

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

From the Orient.

Vessel.	Due.
Kaga Maru	Dec. 9
Monteagle	Dec. 15
Empress of Japan	Jan. 21
From Australia.	
Aorangi	Dec. 16
From Mexico.	
Georgia	Dec. 15
Erna	Dec. 20
From Liverpool.	
Ning Chow	Dec. 26
TO SAIL.	
For the Orient.	
Empress of China	Dec. 16
For Australia.	
Aorangi	Dec. 21
For Mexico.	
Lonsdale	Dec. 10
For Liverpool.	
Bellerophon	Dec. 29

COASTWISE STEAMERS.

TO ARRIVE.

From San Francisco.

Vessel.	Due.
Umatilla	Dec. 9
From Skagway.	
Princess May	Dec. 8
From Northern B. C. Ports.	
St. Denis	Dec. 7
Vadso	Dec. 14
Princess Beatrice	Dec. 15
From West Coast.	
Tees	Dec. 15
TO SAIL.	
For San Francisco.	
Queen	Dec. 8
For Skagway.	
Princess May	Dec. 10
For Northern B. C. Ports.	
St. Denis	Dec. 9
Vadso	Dec. 16
Princess Beatrice	Dec. 17
For West Coast.	
Tees	Dec. 10

FERRY SERVICE.

Victoria-Vancouver.

Steamer leaves Victoria daily at 1 a. m., arrives at Vancouver 7 a. m.; returning, leaves Vancouver 1.30 p. m., arrives Victoria 6.30 p. m.

Victoria-Seattle.

Steamer leaves Victoria daily except Monday at 11.30 a. m., arrives at Seattle, except Tuesday, 7 a. m.; returning, leaves Seattle, except Tuesday, at 9.30 a. m., and calling at Port Townsend arrives at Victoria, except Tuesday, at 3 p. m.

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, December, 1909.

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The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The figures for height serve to distinguish high water from low water.

YOUR BLOOD IS POISONED

If You Suffer From Headaches or Neuralgia.

Frequent attacks of Headaches or Neuralgia are Nature's warnings of Blood Poisoning. The pain is due simply to the tortured nerves, inflamed by the blood being overloaded with impurities, because of inactive bowels, kidneys or skin.

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LAKE CAPTAIN IS SEVERELY CENSURED

Scathing Indictment by Court Which Investigated Stranding of Steamer.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—"The evidence tends to show that the captain does not understand the workings of the compass, and the only way he assured himself that his compass was correct was when in sight of ranges. Moreover, he was even ignorant of the name of the makers of his compass, although he had been master of the Athabasca for three years. The lead line was not resorted to, and he does not seem to have taken the most common precautions to avoid danger. Both his scrap log and official log were written in pencil. The spelling was execrable, and on the date of the accident erasures had been made and observations and remarks added. We consider that his way of keeping logs was both farcial and valueless."

Such is a portion of the scathing indictment made by Capt. L. A. Demers and two assessors in the inquiry into the grounding of the steamship Athabasca on the morning of October 13th at Flower Pot Island, in Lake Huron.

SLACK WATER, ACTIVE PASS, B. C.

December, 1909.

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THE USE OF PEAT FUEL.

A simple calculation will show that it requires a few more heat units to evaporate the 90 per cent. water from the 10 per cent. combustible in peat than are released in burning the latter. Artificial drying has proved useless, as might have been expected.

The water, somehow, has also refused to be squeezed out by mechanical processes. Either the whole mass of raw peat pulp would flow through the screens or the screening walls would be burst apart. The few processes that up to the present have placed peat fuel on local markets in commercial forms and quantities have depended primarily upon air drying to reduce the water contents and to put the peat into a workable condition.

The reason behind the difficulty of pressing the water out of peat sponge is now disclosed by researches described in a paper before the recent meeting of the Iron and Steel Institute. . . Dr. Ekenberg there shows that all the trouble has been due to the presence of a jelly or a slime, chemically termed hydrocellulose. The simplicity of the process for removing this jelly is striking. The mere application of heat, sufficient to raise the temperature of the hydrocellulose to 150 degrees C. has been shown to split it up into water and a caramel or sugar. Once the jelly has disappeared the peat substance may be mechanically pressed as any spongy material would be.

Processes depending largely on air drying to put the peat pulp into workable peat have had a certain degree of success, but they have never overcome the handicap imposed by weather and season. There are no such limitations to mechanical treatment, and if these experiments develop a process, as practical and commercial as Dr. Ekenberg's account claims to be possible, truly they have unlocked a great storehouse of fuel heretofore practically sealed.—Engineering News.

Sixty-nine entirely new varieties of roses were shown at a recent French exhibition.

NORWICH HAS A GOLDEN COLONY

CANARIES WHICH WIN MANY BLUE RIBBONS

Big Business in Breeding Beautiful Birds—Originally From Flanders.

There is no need to dilate on the fame of the Norwich canary—plain-head, crested, or crest bred—for there are, few people in all the world who keep pets to whom at some time or another the Norfolk capital has not sent these little sweet-voiced birds of its own breeding. But it is not generally known outside the headquarters of the fancy to what an extent the business of canary breeding has grown, so that it has become one of the most important industries of a busy city boasting a large and increasing export trade.

It is said that in the long-ago a merchantman foundered off the coast of Flanders, and before she went down a number of singing canaries which the sailors were carrying as pets were released and flew to the adjacent land. There the peasants captured them, and found them so charming that they fostered them and became in their own way canary fanciers. Then the Flemings crossed the North sea and settled in some of the Norfolk villages. They brought their birds with them, and the latter delighted the English natives so much that the immigrants began to find that canary breeding made a profitable addition to their proper trade of weaving. So they started a commerce with the birds in Norwich market.

The result is that for nearly two centuries the City of Churches has also been a City of Canaries. It is to-day a colony of golden songsters, and people engaged in almost every kind of trade are also canary fanciers.

There is a saying that canaries fly in freedom about the City of Norwich, and it is sometimes literally true. For with so many thousands of the birds in the place there are bound to be frequent escapes. The fanciers are prepared for this. They have their large nets at hand, and they go out to watch the movements of the sparrows. Where the latter congregate on an obvious expedition of "mobbing," the escaped canary is generally found in the midst.

In one respect Norwich is similar to Ireland. In the latter country the pig often pays the rent; in Norwich a few well-bred birds will liquidate the same debt. A few figures will explain how this is done. Years ago you could buy a good prize bird for a sovereign or for 30 shillings. Now, owing to the number of exhibitors all over the country, as much as £10 frequently changes hands for a prize winner. Single birds have been sold for £50 apiece, a breeder informed me a few days ago. And he showed me two accounts—one of £100 for two cock birds, the other of £25 for a crested hen.

These are the more fancy prices, however. What are called ordinary songsters—birds which combine sweet song with good color—may be purchased for anything from three half-crowns to two guineas. With a fair share of luck the breeders make excellent profits, but the business has more than a dash of the speculative in it. Here is a gratifying item given me by the gentleman who is the head of the canary community in Norwich—a community, by the way, which numbers 3,000 and 4,000 persons: "I bought a hen bird for £5, and mated it with a cock bird which cost me £10. The first nest I obtained numbered seven, which I sold for £50." A magnificent first return on a £15 investment.

Nobody connected with the feathered world will need to be told that this gentleman is Mr. Jacob Mackley. Few names in any branch of business have gone further round the world than that of the firm of Mackley Brothers, one of whose many duties was to keep joyous the palaces of the late Sultan of Turkey with Norwich-bred songsters. The birds were sent out to Turkey in large consignments, £300 being the price once paid by Abdul Hamid for a special order. The German Empress is another of this firm's customers.

For nearly a hundred years the Mackleys of Norwich have been breeders, buyers, shippers, and exhibitors of canaries. Mr. Jacob was a judge at the age of 19, and he has himself won more than 9,000 prizes. He once threw open his aviaries as a free exhibition to the public for three days at a time when he had nearly 6,000 birds to be seen in the pink of condition. The Mayor of Norwich and most of the clergy of the city were among his 10,000 visitors during that time.

He has given me some interesting details of the immense export trade carried on in Norwich canaries. The total number of birds shipped every year is something between 25,000 and 30,000. America takes most of them, the consignments to New York totaling from 15,000 to 20,000 annually. The Mackleys themselves have for ten years sent as many as 10,000 a year across the Atlantic, and others also to Canada, Gibraltar, Italy, and as far away as South Africa. The consignments to America often number as many as 2,000 birds, every one of which has its wicker cage. The Norwich breeders find they can barely supply enough songsters to America, which also takes a good many hens, and pays a price which amply compensates for the heavy expense of such large shipments. A man has to travel with the birds, but taking the outlay necessary on behalf of the canaries alone in a consignment of 2,000, a typical account in the ledger shows an expenditure of £7 9s 1d for rail to Liverpool and £21 10s 8d for shipping charges.

Naturally, the presence of so many canaries in Norwich necessitates an extensive commissariat. Bird seed enters the city in frequent railway truckloads. At Mr. Mackley's aviaries alone eight bushels of canary seed are consumed in a week, besides many eggs and loaves of bread. As to the eggs, they are given to the young birds during the five or six weeks when they must have soft food and also to molting birds in order to improve their color. It is probably an underestimate that the canary fanciers of Norwich use half a million eggs for this purpose during the breeding season.

The eggs are mixed in a mash of crushed bread-crumbs or biscuit, with a certain amount of color food of a dark orange hue, consisting principally of sweet pepper. Most of the breeders keep fowls also, and are thus supplied at home with the greater number, if not the whole, of the eggs they require. To illustrate the color-making nature of this orange-red mash, Mr. Mackley took a young cock canary from its cage and lightly brushed back its breast feathers. Some of the old yellow feathers were at once loosened and came out, but the new feathers thus revealed were of the deep, glowing orange which fanciers strive to obtain in their birds. The change into a new and more beautiful dress was going on in this little bird form to the perfect satisfaction of the owner.

Then I was shown the sixteen rooms, with their accommodation for upward of 6,000 canaries, each in a separate cage, which constitute these famous aviaries. The rooms are heated by hot water pipes in order to preserve an even temperature of 50 to 55 degrees, and the little cages are arranged tier on tier around all the walls.

The "spring cleaning" was in progress—a little matter which keeps all hands occupied from the end of May to the end of September every year.

During this lengthy process the cages are thoroughly overhauled, and every cage front is destroyed. Fumigation with sulphur, painting, varnishing, renovating, and whitewashing are the most pressing of the multitude of duties at this season, and then, after four months' hard work, everything is ready for the reception of the young birds from the breeding rooms.

In one of the breeding rooms there were twenty-six pairs of birds, each pair lodging a double cage with a nesting box on the wall and building materials ready for their use. The nest the birds construct is a loose cup of fine grass and moss lined with cow's hair and a few yellow feathers of obvious origin. If there be not sufficient hair supplied them the birds are quick to pluck feathers from their breasts and tails to soften the bottom of the nest.

The round of events in the breeding rooms proceeds much as follows: In thirteen or fourteen days the eggs in the nest on the wall of one compartment of the double cage are hatched, and in a month the young ones are able to feed themselves. By that time the hen bird is building or laying in the second compartment, and fourteen days after she has begun to sit another lot of young ones are expected. Thus the sequence goes on throughout the season, some pairs having as many as six nests, while one pair have been known to hatch and rear no fewer than thirty young.

In conclusion it may be said that the Norwich fanciers readily admit that the German canary is a sweter singer—sweeter, that is, for a year; but when it comes to size and appearance combined with length of song (a good Norwich bird will sing for six years at least) the canary bred in the old East Anglia city has no rival in the world.—P. W. D. Izzard in the London Mail.

TRADES UNION MEETINGS.

Barbers	2nd and 4th Monday
Blacksmiths	1st and 3rd Tuesday
Boilermakers	2nd and 4th Tuesday
Boilermakers' Helpers	1st and 3rd Thurs.
Bookbinders	Quarterly
Bricklayers	2nd and 4th Monday
Bartenders	1st and 3rd Sunday
Cooks and Waiters	2nd and 4th Tuesday
Carpenters	Alternate Wednesdays
Cigarmakers	1st Friday
Electrical Workers	3rd Friday
Garment Workers	1st Monday
Laborers	1st and 3rd Friday
Leather Workers	4th Thursday
Laundry Workers	1st and 3rd Tuesday
Longshoremen	Every Monday
Letter Carriers	4th Wednesday
Machinists	1st and 3rd Thursday
Moulders	2nd Wednesday
Musicians	3rd Sunday
Painters	1st and 3rd Monday
Plumbers	1st and 3rd Tuesday
Printing Pressmen	2nd Monday
Shipwrights	2nd and 4th Thursday
Steam Fitters	1st and 3rd Tuesday
Stonecutters	2nd Thursday
Street Railway Employees	1st Tuesday, 2 p.m., 3rd Tuesday, 8 p.m.
Stereotypers	Monthly
Tailors	1st Monday
T. & L. Council	1st and 3rd Wednesday
Typographical	Last Sunday

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Change in Schedule

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16.00	9.00	Lv.	Victoria	Ar. 12.05	19.00
17.12	10.15		Shawnigan Lake	10.48	17.42
17.48	11.00		Duncans	10.05	16.58
18.20	11.22		Chemainus	9.25	16.22
18.45	11.57		Ladysmith	9.00	15.58
19.28	12.35		Nanaimo	8.15	15.15
19.45	12.53	Ar.	Wellington	Lv. 8.00	15.00

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EMPRESS OF IRELAND..... Feb. 25th
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DEVELOPMENT OF MINING INDUSTRY

Formal Call for Convention Issued by Nelson Board of Trade.

The Nelson board of trade has issued a formal call for a convention on mining to be held at Nelson on December 15. While the principal discussions will revolve around the subject of encouragement to the zinc mining industry, the board wishes it understood that discussions of general mining questions will be welcomed and experts in the various fields of mining are invited to go prepared to contribute to the value of the convention by expressing their views on subjects that are of special importance to their particular branches. The circular letter is as follows:

It has been proposed to call a convention of mine owners and others interested in the production and marketing of zinc ores, to discuss ways and means of improving the marketing and disposing of the products.

As you are aware the presence of zinc ores, especially in the Kootenay district (except in a few special cases) has been a detriment rather than a benefit to mine owners. At the same time the only market is practically in the United States, the average freight being $10 per ton, and the duty about the same, making a charge of some $20 per ton to place the zinc ores of this district at the smelter.

It is felt that the time has arrived when these conditions might be improved, and that some action towards promoting this might be brought about by a conference of those interested.

In the first place in order to present the question in all its bearings it will be necessary to have some authentic information regarding the present production of zinc ores and other matters in connection therewith, and this can be gathered at such a meeting.

The matters which present themselves as being worthy of discussion if a meeting can be convened are:

1. The establishment of a zinc smelter in this country.

2. The establishment of home manufactories of zinc products.

3. The asking for government aid for assistance in experiments.

4. The asking for a bounty on zinc similar to that at present in force for lead.

5. The asking for the increase of the duty on zinc ore products, such as spelter, oxides, etc., which now come into this country, principally from the United States, either free of duty or at a low tariff.

These matters are put before you merely as suggestions, and with a view of aiding discussion at the proposed conference which some interested have thought could be promoted with the assistance of the board.

It has therefore been arranged to hold this meeting on Wednesday, the 15th December, at 10 a. m. at the board of trade rooms here, and if a sufficient number so attend the railway companies will give special rates, namely: if 30 or more attend, a rate of a fare and one-third, and if 100 or more a single fare for the return journey.

While this question has been brought to our attention principally by those interested in zinc, at the same time it is thought that other questions relating to the general mining industry throughout this district could with benefit, be discussed at such a meeting.

You are therefore earnestly requested to attend this conference.

The reason for the short notice given is the fact that the Dominion parliament is now in session, and the provincial parliament meets on the 20th January, and any required legislation must be undertaken promptly.

Kindly let me hear from you at your earliest convenience as to the possibility of your being able to attend.

Yours truly,
E. K. BEESTON,
Secretary.

F. A. STARKEY,
President.

A sarcophagus of the fourth century, containing two intact human bodies and many articles of archaeological interest, recently was unearthed at the site of a dry dock in course of construction at Tartano, Italy.

MUST FACE CHARGE OF EXTORTION

Alleged Conspirators Will Be Placed on Trial at Toledo.

Toledo, O., Dec. 7.—The term of the Federal court, which convenes in this city to-day, will be made notable by the trial of a dozen or more alleged members of the notorious band of Black Hand assassins, known as the "Society of the Banana," who are declared to have been extorting large sums of money from terrified victims in towns and cities of Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Indiana and New York for at least two years past. The postal inspectors who have been gathering evidence in the cases for many months, say they have no doubt of securing the conviction of every Italian under arrest.

John Amicon, a wealthy produce dealer of Columbus, will be the principal witness for the government, the case being woven around threatening Black Hand letters addressed to him. Last January Amicon and his brother, who is a member of his firm, found a dynamite bomb on their porch with a letter demanding, under pain of death, $5,000 from each.

Subsequent to the receipt of the bomb John Amicon received more letters with demands and threats which were mailed at Pittsburg and Cincinnati. Amicon then promptly communicated with the Italian ambassador. The latter placed the matter in the hands of the United States postal inspectors, who promptly went to work on the case.

It was learned by the inspectors that similar threats had been made against wealthy Italian merchants in Dayton, Cincinnati, Indianapolis and other cities.

Later skilled men went to Columbus, Marion, Bellefontaine, Cleveland and Denison and with search warrants swooped down upon the unsuspecting conspirators, taking possession of all books and papers found on their premises, tokether with a great mass of correspondence.

HORSE DISTEMPER

Prince Edward Farmer Solemnly Declares Nerviline is a Specific.

"After fifty years' experience in raising horses I can safely testify that no remedy gives such good results for an all-round stable liniment as Nerviline." Thus opens the very earnest letter of J. J. Evanston, who lives near Wellington, P. E. "I had a very valuable horse that took distemper a month ago, and was afraid I was going to lose him. His throat swelled and hard lumps developed. His nostrils ran and he had a terrible cough. I tried different remedies, but was unable to relieve my horse of his pain and suffering till I started to use Nerviline.

NERVILINE CURES QUICKLY

I mixed a bottle of Nerviline and sweet oil and rubbed the mixture on the throat and chest three times a day and you would scarcely believe the way that horse picked up. Nerviline cured him. I also have used Nerviline for colic in horses and cows, and earnestly recommend it to every man that is raising stock."

For strains, sprains, swellings, colic, distemper, coughs and colds, no liniment will prove so efficacious in the stable as "Nerviline"—it's good for man or beast, for internal or external use. Wherever there is pain, Nerviline will cure it. Refuse substitutes. Large bottles 25c, five for $1.00, at all dealers, or The Catarrhozone Co.'y, Kingston, Ont.

NO PERPETUAL FRANCHISE.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 7.—The Supreme court has decided that no public utilities corporation can hold perpetual franchise within the state of Colorado. The decision was given in a case involving the ownership of the sewer system in Leadville, and will affect many.

CONDITIONS GOOD AT ORPHANS' HOME

Regular Meeting of Woman's Committee Receives Reports.

The usual monthly meeting of the ladies' committee of the Provincial Orphanage was held at the city hall on Monday, December 6th, 1909. The president, Mrs. McTavish, presided, the following ladies being present: Mesdames McTavish, McCollough, Higgins, J. Langley, E. Few, E. W. Andrews, W. Scowcroft, Toller, W. Munsie, Vigelius, Sherwood, J. Dickson, C. F. Todd, J. Teague, Miss McLean. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to all who had so generously assisted in the success of the chrysanthemum show, by exhibiting flowers, gifts of candy, cash, cakes, etc., the financial result amounting to $182.25, the expenses being $17. Gratitude was also expressed to the library commissioners for the use of the rooms, also to the Ladies' Musical Society for the use of piano and chairs. Special thanks were also tendered to those whose vocal and musical talents rendered the enjoyment of the two evenings so pleasant and entertaining, and to Mr. Fletcher for kindly loaning the gramophone.

Miss Allen has accepted the matronship of the home, which acceptance is very satisfactory to the committee.

Mrs. Tuckey's generous donation of clothing will add very materially to the comfort of the children and has been received with grateful thanks. The cellar has also been enriched by donations of one-half ton of potatoes from H. Ruckle of Beaver Point; the larder enriched by a delightful gift of jam and fruit from Mrs. E. McLennan, Beaver Point; the coal cellar has been enriched by one-half ton of coal from Mrs. Bradley Dyne.

Mrs. C. F. Todd and Mrs. Munsie were appointed visitors for December. Bills were paid amounting to $195.80. Mrs. McLean was welcomed as a new member of the committee.

The coming Christmas tree will be held on Wednesday, December 29th from 3 to 6. The report from the home committee was presented. It was as follows:

Madam President and Members of Committee: Your committee visited the home five times during the month, found everything going along satisfactorily.

A few of the children had been suffering from colds, but were better and back to school, except one boy who had not sufficiently recovered. He was having quite a time pulling stitches out of sacks, a large quantity having accumulated. They had been washed and were being put away for future use.

Great credit was due Mrs. Kaye, we thought, for her carefulness in all those little things.

The groceries needed for the month were purchased from Acton Bros.

We need not report anything of the chrysanthemum show, as all are quite familiar with the results, and must thank all who so kindly contributed to the refreshment tables, as well as in every other way.

Respectfully submitted,
MARGARET M. ANDREWS,
E. E. FEW,
Visiting Committee for Nov., 1909.

The following donations for November were acknowledged: Mr. Tony Silvene, 12 lbs. butter, 2 hams; Mr. D. R. Ker, a quantity of china, glassware, baskets, fruit jars, tins and cooking utensils; Mrs. A. W. Tuckey, 7 pairs of drawers, 5 aprons, books and pictures; Mr. Henry Ruckle, Beaver Point, Salt Spring Island, one-half ton potatoes; Mrs. E. McLennan, Beaver Point, Salt Spring Island, 1 box pears, 24 jars of jam; Mr. Fred Fawcett, 5 lbs. candy; Mrs. C. F. Todd, 2 sacks cabbage; Mr. J. W. Wilson, 40 pairs boys' drawers, 2 overcoats; Mrs. Gonnason, cake; Mrs. Ohlson, Oaklands, pears; Mrs. W. H. Dempster, 20 lbs. sugar, girl's coat, boy's pants; Mollie and Vertius Hibben, 50 cents; Mrs. Graham, clothing; a friend, clothing; Judge Irving, box of cake; Mrs. Few, sack of apples, girl's coat; Mrs. Dunsmuir, $5; Brackman-Ker, a quantity of wet sacks from fire; Mr. and Mrs. W. Fleet Robertson, $2; Barber Bros., toys, books, pencils, games and pictures; Mrs. Harmon, 50 cents; Mrs. Bradley Dyne, Sidney, one-half ton of coal; Mrs. J. W. Williams, per Mrs. Robert Croft, clothing; St. Mark's church, Bolekin road, per Rev. Mr. Henage, box of candy; ladies of the committee, cake and candy; Times and Colonist, daily papers; Mrs. King, Cedar Hill, 3 sacks potatoes, sack of clothing.

AVIATOR WEEK.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 7.—At least four French aviators and four American aeroplanists are definitely pledged to appear in the aviation events in Los Angeles January 10th to 20th next, while others of prominence are seeking terms. Four dirigibles have been arranged for and invitations have been sent to all the leading balloonists of the country to participate.

Glenn H. Curtis, winner of the championship and the Gordon Bennett trophy at the international meet at Rheims, France, last summer, has agreed to fly his aeroplane. Another Curtiss bi-plane will be flown by Chas. A. Willard, who is already here with the "Golden Flyer" of the Aeronautic Society of New York. Invitations from the merchants and manufacturers' committee and the committee have been sent to the Wright Brothers.

The French aviators will be headed by Paulhan.

KING GUSTAV IN ROLE OF LABORER

King of Sweden Anxious to Learn Conditions of Workingmen.

Stockholm, Sweden, Dec. 7.—Disguised as a stevedore, King Gustav on Saturday inaugurated a new departeure for sovereigns by carrying sacks of coal from a lighter all day and yesterday he stated that this was only a beginning. He intended to mix with all classes of laborers, he said, so that he might ascertain their opinions on the labor question. Already, the King says, he has obtained many valuable hints from the men with whom he has labored.

The determination of King Gustav to learn the conditions of the workingmen by mingling with them and taking part in their labors, has resulted from the recent great strike that tied up business of every kind in the country. Arbitration was undertaken by the Swedish government after the strike had been in force for several months, and in the interim many workmen returned to their tasks, although the number of unemployed remained large.

To ascertain the real facts King Gustav joined various laborers at their work and in such a guise that they would not recognize him.

GRAFT SUSPECTED.

Governor of Ohio Has Ordered Inquiry Into Affairs of Several State Departments.

Columbus, O., Dec. 7.—An exposure of graft alleged to have existed in several state departments, which may implicate many former state officials, has been instituted by Governor Harmon. The revelations that are promised threaten to shake the entire state.

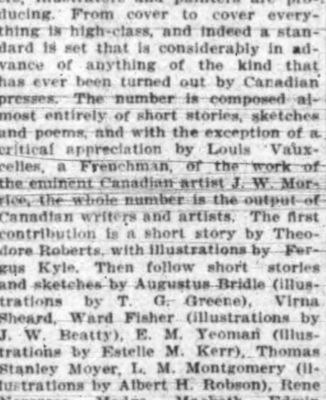
Atorney-General Denman has filed suits to compel the Federal Union Surety Company of Indianapolis to "make good" on the state money deposited by State Treasurer W. S. McKinnon in the defunct Euclid Avenue National Bank of Cleveland. The Indianapolis concern was a surety on the bond of the Euclid Avenue bank, and the attorney-general is said to be in possession of evidence to the effect that the former treasurers deposited public funds there and pocketed the interest.

Experts are examining the books of several banks, pursuant with orders of the governor, to ascertain what funds were loaned by former treasurers before the enactment of the depository law in 1904. He proposed to sue to recover payment for all such funds, and it was stated that suits would be filed against living ex-treasurers, the estates of treasurers deceased and banks said to have profited by the use of state money.

THE CANADIAN MAGAZINE.

The Christmas number of the Canadian Magazine is a splendid example of the excellent work that Canadian writers, illustrators and painters are producing. From cover to cover everything is high-class, and indeed a standard is set that is considerably in advance of anything of the kind that has ever been turned out by Canadian presses. The number is composed almost entirely of short stories, sketches and poems, and with the exception of a critical appreciation by Louis Vauxcelles, a Frenchman, of the work of the eminent Canadian artist J. W. Morrice, the whole number is the output of Canadian writers and artists. The first contribution is a short story by Theodore Roberts, with illustrations by Fergus Kyle. Then follow short stories and sketches by Augustus Bridle (illustrations by T. G. Greene), Virna Sheard, Ward Fisher (illustrations by J. W. Beatty), E. M. Yeoman (illustrations by Estelle M. Kerr), Thomas Stanley Moyer, L. M. Montgomery (illustrations by Albert H. Robson), Rene Norcross, Madge Macbeth, Edwin Dowsley, and poems by Isabel Ecclestone Mackay, Duncan Compbell Scott, John Boyd, Marjorie L. C. Pickthall, Jean Blewett, George Herbert Clarke, and Estelle M. Kerr. There are a series of full-page reproductions of western photographs on tinted paper by Newton MacTavish, and the reproductions of paintings by J. W. Morrice are unusually fine. Altogether the number is an excellent Christmas souvenir, with a fine cover in colors by T. M. Marten.

A Norwich firm is completing 1,100 miles of wire netting for the Australian, Queensland and Victorian governments. The netting is retailed by the governments to settlers, and is used for keeping rabbits from the crops.



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For further particulars regarding BURRARD apply to E. W. McLEAN, 501 Pender St., Vancouver

Conditions of Contest:

All you have to do is to buy a package of LIGHTHOUSE SOAP (six bars for 25c) from any grocer.

First: Cut out the end of the package marked "DIRECTIONS."

Second: Cut out the coupon which appears in the "Times" every evening.

Third: Paste the two together and fill in your name and address (write plainly) and deposit it in the Sealed Ballot Box provided for the purpose at G. D. CHRISTIE'S SHOE STORE, corner Government and Johnson streets, Victoria, B. C.

If this is not convenient, send same addressed to WESTERN SOAP COMPANY, LIMITED, P. O. Box 1057, Vancouver, B. C., and mark in corner of envelope, "LIGHTHOUSE SOAP COMPETITION."

The ballot box will be opened by a committee selected by yourselves on SATURDAY EVENING, JANUARY 29, on which day the competition closes. The drawing will take place in one of the large halls in Victoria which will be duly advertised.

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No employee of the Western Soap Company, Limited, who manufacture LIGHTHOUSE SOAP, will be allowed to compete.

If we did not KNOW that LIGHTHOUSE SOAP would suit YOU, would we spend thousands of dollars advertising it in this manner?

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This coupon must be pasted on the end (marked "Directions") of a package of Lighthouse Soap to be valid.

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Owing to the difference in the average death-rate it may be said that three Englishmen live as long as five Russians.

NOTICE.

THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, they will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria, B. C., for a renewal of their license for selling intoxicating liquors at the premises known as The Hudson's Bay House, situated at Telegraph Creek, in the District of Cassiar, to commence the 1st day of January, 1910.

THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY.
Per JAS. THOMSON.
26th November, 1909.

Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Co.

CLEARED LANDS

The cleared lots at Qualicum Beach, Newcastle District are now on the market in tracts of from thirty to forty acres.

For plans and prices apply to L. H. SOLLY, Land Agent, Victoria, or L. E. ALLIN, Local Agent, Parksville.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

Any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section (160 acres, more or less) of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

DUTIES.—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter section alongside his homestead. Price $3.00 per acre. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price $3.00 per acre. Purchased homesteads may be acquired on any available lands on either odd or even numbered Sections south of Township 45, east of the Calgary and Edmonton Railway and the west line of Range 26, and west of the third Meridian and the Sault Railway line. Duties.—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth $300.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS.

COAL.—Coal mining rights may be leased for twenty-one years at an annual rental of $1.00 an acre. Not more than 2,500 acres can be leased to one applicant. Royalty, five cents per ton.

QUARTZ.—A person eighteen years of age and over having made a discovery may locate a claim 1,500 feet by 1,500 feet. Fee, $5.00. At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year, or paid to the Mining Recorder. When $500 has been expended or paid and other requirements complied with the claim may be purchased at $1.00 an acre.

PLACER MINING CLAIMS generally, 100 feet square. Entry fee, $5.00.

DREDGING.—Two leases of five miles each of a river may be issued to one applicant for a term of 20 years. Rental, $10 a mile per annum. Royalty, 2½ per cent. after the output exceeds $10,000.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

NOTICE.

Subscribers of the Victoria Daily Times are requested to pay their subscriptions to the collector, and not at the office.

GRAIN MARKET

(By Courtesy F. W. Stevenson & Co.)

Chicago, Dec. 7.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—				
Dec.	107⅞	108⅛	107	107¼
May	107⅞	108⅞	107	107⅞
July	98⅛	99	98⅛	98⅛
Corn—				
Dec.	58⅛	59⅛	58⅛	58⅛
May	61⅛	62⅛	61⅛	61⅞
July	61	61⅞	61	61⅛
Oats—				
Dec.	41	41⅛	40⅞	41⅛
May	42⅞	42⅞	42⅛	43⅛
July	40⅞	40⅞	40⅞	40⅞
Pork—				
Jan.	21.45	21.57	21.40	21.42
May	20.65	20.80	20.62	20.65
Lard—				
Jan.	12.40	12.55	12.37	12.42
May	11.55	11.65	11.50	11.55
Short Ribs—				
Jan.	11.40	11.55	11.37	11.42
May	10.77	10.85	10.72	10.75

LOCAL STOCKS

(By Courtesy N. B. Maysmith & Co.)
(Private Exchange.)

	Bid.	Asked.
American Canadian Oil	.09	.11½
B. C. Amalgamated Coal	.02	.03
B. C. Permanent Loan	120.00	132.00
B. C. Pulp & Paper	.70	....
B. C. Refining Co.	.80	....
Bakeries, Ltd.	....	7.50
Cariboo McKinney	.01	.02
Canadian Northwest Oil	....	.21
Diamond Coal	.65	....
Diamond Vale Coal & Iron	.07	.11
International Coal & Coke	.81	.86
Nicola Valley Coal & Coke	50.00	60.00
Nootka Marble Quarries	....	5.25
Northern Crown Bank	....	98.00
Northern Oil	....	.07
Pacific Loan Co.	30.00	....
Pacific Whaling Co., pref.	57.00	....
Portland Canal Mining	.21	.23
Rambler Cariboo	....	.12
Royal Collieries	.24	.26
South African Scrip	560.00	....
Silica Brick	....	1.25
Stewart M. & D. Co.	2.10	....
Vancouver Briquette Coal	....	.50
Victoria Transfer Co.	....	50.00
Western Coal & Coke	1.70	....
B. C. Copper	6.25	7.50
Great West Permanent	112.00	117.50

AMPHIBIOUS AUTOMOBILE.

A Paris dispatch says the French war office has acquired an automobile which is capable of being instantly changed from a land to a water machine.

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STOCKS ADVANCE ON NEW YORK MARKET

President's Message More Favorable to Wall Street Than Expected.

(Times Leased Wire.)

New York, Dec. 7.—The message of the President was more favorable to Wall street than the interests had believed, and short covering of considerable magnitude was forced in some of the specialties. To-day's advance in the stock market was general, and with the exception of a half dozen leaders, uniform. American Sugar Refining interests seemed to be much relieved, and purchases of "Sugar" were the heaviest of recent days. The closing was 1¼ points above yesterday. The largest gain for the "regulars" was in Steel Corporation shares. Common went to 91 at the end of the day, or 1⅞ points above yesterday. Preferred was showing practically no change. Copper went well along with the leaders. Amalgamated gained 1½ points and American Smelter ⅞. Rail shares were generally firm and higher, with Union Pacific the leader of this group. The closing price was 1⅞ above yesterday.

New York Central participated in the general advance to the tune of 1⅛, but these were the only ones of the leaders that gained over a point. The general list was 1⅛c. to ⅞c. higher.

LOCAL MARKETS

Oils—		
Pratt's Coal Oil		1.65
Eocene		1.75
Meats—		
Hams (B. C.), per lb.		25
Bacon (B. C.), per lb.		27
Hams (American), per lb.		25
Bacon (American), per lb.	30@	35
Bacon (long clear), per lb.		20
Beef, per lb.	8@	18
Pork, per lb.	12½@	15
Mutton, per lb.	12½@	20
Lamb, hindquarter	1.50@	2.00
Lamb, forequarter	1.25@	1.75
Veal, per lb.	12@	20
Suet, per lb.		15
Farm Produce—		
Fresh Island Eggs		70
Butter (Creamery)		45
Lard, per lb.		20
Western Canada Flour Mills—		
Purity, per sack		2.00
Purity, per bbl.		7.75
Three Star Patent, per sack		1.95
Three Star Patent, per bbl.		7.75
Hungarian Flour—		
Ogilvie's Royal Household, per sack		2.00
Ogilvie's Royal Household, per bbl.		7.75
Lake of Woods, per sack		2.00
Lake of Woods, per bbl.		7.75
Okanagan, per sack		2.00
Okanagan, per bbl.		7.75
Calgary Hungarian, per sack		2.00
Calgary Hungarian, per bbl.		7.75
Excelsior, per sack		2.00
Excelsior, per bbl		7.75
Oak Lake, per sack		2.00
Oak Lake, per bbl.		7.75
Hudson's Bay, per sack		2.00
Hudson's Bay, per bbl.		7.75
Enderby, per sack		2.00
Enderby, per bbl.		7.75
Pastry Flours—		
Snowflake, per sack		1.85
Snowflake, per bbl.		7.25
O. K. Best Pastry, per sack		1.70
O. K. Best Pastry, per bbl.		6.50
O. K. Four Star, per sack		1.70
O. K. Four Star, per bbl.		6.50
Drifted Snow, per sack		1.70
Drifted Snow, per bbl.		6.50
Grain—		
Wheat, chicken feed, per ton		35.00@40.00
Wheat, per lb.		2½
Barley		33.00
Whole Corn		38.00
Cracked Corn		40.00
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 8-lb. sk.		40
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 20-lb. sk.		1.00
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 40-lb. sk.		1.90
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 90-lb. sk.		4.50
Oatmeal, 10-lb. sack		50
Oatmeal, 50-lb. sack		2.25
Rolled Wheat, 10 lbs.		45
Cracked Wheat, 10 lbs.		55
Wheat Flakes, per packet		35
Whole Wheat Flour, 10 lbs.		45
Graham Flour, 10 lbs.		45
Graham Flour, 50 lbs.		1.75
Feed—		
Hay (baled), new, per ton		20.00@25.00
Straw, per bale		75
Middlings, per ton		32.00
Bran, per ton		30.00
Ground Feed, per ton		35.00
Shorts		32.00
Poultry—		
Dressed Fowl, per lb.	25@	30
Geese (Island), per lb.	20@	25
Garden Produce—		
Cabbage, per lb.		3
Potatoes (local)		1.00
Onions, per lb.		3
Carrots, per lb.		3

WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Lemons	5.00@ 6.50
Walnuts (Cal.)	19@ 20
Walnuts (Eastern)	15
Cocoanuts, each	10
Ham	20
Bacon	23
Carrots, per lb.	2
Bananas, per lb.	5
Potatoes (local), per ton	16.00@20.00
Butter (Creamery)	30@ 40
Butter (Dairy)	23
Eggs (ranch), per doz.	65
Oats, per ton	27.00
Hay, per ton	19.00@20.00
Corn, per ton	38.00
Grape Fruit	4.00
Tomatoes (local), hothouse	2.00
Watercress, per doz.	1.00
Green Onions, per doz.	25
Radish, per doz.	50
Cauliflowers, per doz.	1.75
Onions (silver skins)	2
Onions (local), per lb.	1½
Valencia Oranges	4.50
Navel Oranges	3.50
Nutmeg Melons, per crate	4.00@ 5.00
Pears (local)	1.50@ 2.00
Egg Plants, per lb.	12½
Apples, per box	2.00@ 2.50
Cranberries (New Jersey), bbl.	11.50
Cranberries (local), per bbl.	9.00
Garlic, per lb.	10
Celery	30
Figs (Cal.), per package	1.00.. 1.75
Figs (Smyrna), boxes	1.00@ 2.00
Figs (Smyrna), per doz. baskets	1.25
Artichokes (Cal.)	1.00
Persimmons, per box	2.00
Malaga Raisins, 22 lbs.	3.00
Oranges (Tangerine), per box	2.50
Pineapples, per doz.	4.00
Jap. Oranges, per box	65

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TUNGSTEN AND ITS USES IN MECHANICS

Rare Metal Has Its Place in Steel Industry Principally.

One of the most widely known of the rarer metals is tungsten. The production of this metal in the United States, however, is not large, as a little of it goes a long way for some of its most important uses. As by far the largest of the tungsten produced is used in making tool steel, the demand for tungsten decreased greatly during the recent depression in the steel industry. In 1908 the domestic production of tungsten ore, reduced to an equivalent of ore carrying 60 per cent. of tungstic trioxide, the ordinary commercial basis is the United States, was 571 short tons, valued at $229,955, as against 1,640 tons, valued at $890,048, in 1907. The statistics at present available from foreign countries show a similar decline. These figures are taken from a report by F. L. Hess, of the United States geological survey, published in an advance chapter from "Mineral resources of the United States, calendar year 1908." Mr. Hess gives also details of the industry by States, notes on the occurrence and uses of tungsten, and a partial bibliography.

Tungsten is of wide occurrence, but the individual deposits can hardly be said to be large. As a rule they are "pockety"—that is, they occur in lenticular masses or small shoots. Many of those at the surface are quickly and easily mined, but it may then take all the profits derived from the first ore body to locate another one.

The tungsten minerals used as ores are hubnerite, a tungstate of manganese; wolframite, a tungstate of iron; and scheelite, a tungmanganese and iron; ferberite, a tungstate of calcium. They generally occur in veins cutting igneous rocks that contain much silica, such as granite and granodiorite.

The most important use of tungsten is as an alloy for tool steel, to which it imparts the property of holding temper at a much higher temperature than high-carbon steels. When lathe tools are made of tungsten steel the lathe may be speeded up until the chips leaving the tool are so hot that they turn blue. It is said that about five times as much work can be done by a lathe built for such speeds and work and fitted with tungsten-steel tools as can be done by the same lathe with carbon-steel tools. From 16 to 20 per cent. of tungsten is ordinarily used in lathe tools.

There has been a widespread belief that most of the tungsten mined went into armor plate, but it is stated by the ordnance bureau of the navy department that tungsten is not now and, so far as known to that bureau, never has been used in the manufacture of armor plate in this country, and it is not known to have been so used in other countries, though it has probably been used in experimental armor plates. One of the most essential properties of armor plate is its ability to resist shock, and this property is not imparted to steel by tungsten.

As the melting point of tungsten is very high—about 3,050 degrees C—the metal is valuable for use as a filament in incandescent electric lamps, and such lamps are rapidly coming into common use. The whiteness of the light given by the tungsten filament makes it much superior to that of carbon and the efficiency of the tungsten lamp is more than twice as great as that of the carbon lamp. Thousands of filaments can be made from a pound of tungsten.

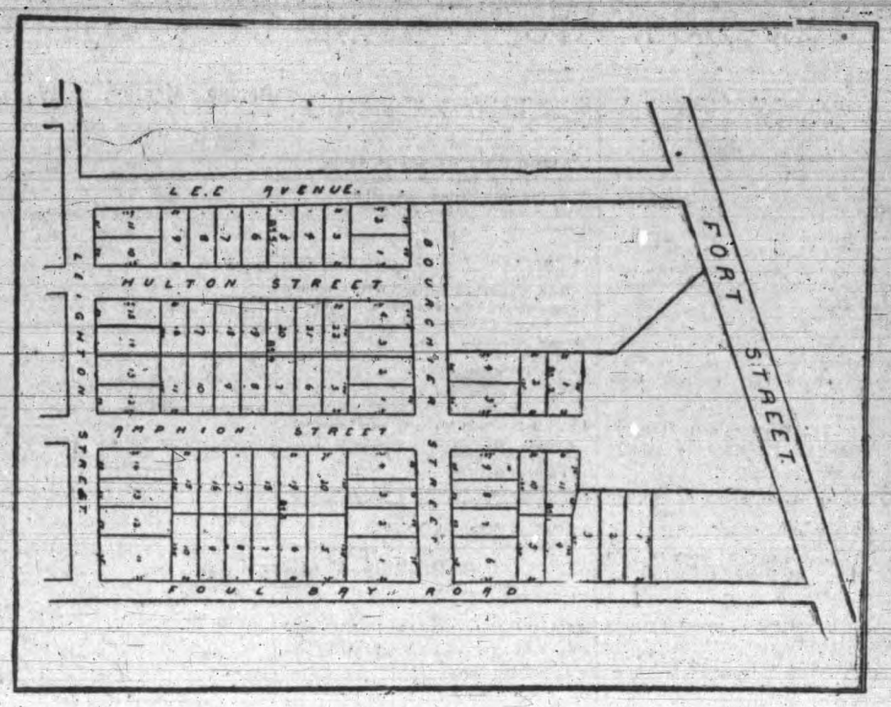
Tungsten salts are used in fireproofing cloth for curtains, draperies, etc.; in weighing silks; in glass making; as a mordant in dyeing, and for other purposes.

"I suppose you expect those stocks you have taken to increase in value very soon?" said the close friend.

"I don't care much about the value," answered Mr. Dustin Stax. "All I want is for them to increase in price."—Washington Evening Star.

Tommy—Pop, what is the office that seeks the map?

Tommy's Pop—The tax office, my son.—Philadelphia Record.



Study This Plan

Note how close to the Willows car line (Fort street) are all of these lots. Remember that they are practically the same distance from the Oak Bay avenue line and hence have the benefit of a ten-minute car service with the choice of two lines. Take into consideration that all these lots have a level surface, with excellent soil for gardening. Don't forget, either, that no dweller on any of these lots would have experienced any discomfort through imperfect drainage during the recent heavy rains. Think next of the prices, which are $50 to $100 cheaper than that of any surrounding properties. They are—

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CANADA SHOULD ACQUIRE GREENLAND

That Is Opinion of Captain Bernier, the Arctic Explorer.

It was quite in accord with the fitness of things that the first real snowstorm should arrive in Montreal simultaneously with Captain Bernier, or Arctic exploration fame, says the Montreal Witness.

Captain Bernier came to address the weekly luncheon of the Canadian Club of Montreal, in the Sailors' Institute, and had a capacity audience under the presidency of Dean Walton. He caused some laughter at the start by saying he was a sailor who had seen some things and wanted to see more—he wanted to see the northern boundaries of Canada. That was why he had taken up Arctic exploration.

He proceeded to point out the great value of all these northern regions, given to Canada by Great Britain in 1880. That gift, he said, was no small one. It had cost Great Britain two million pounds sterling a hundred and fifty lives, and a hundred and fifty-eight expeditions. It was at the cost of all this great expenditure of money and lives and efforts that Canada had been endowed with a northern country which might yet prove to contain all that was necessary for the maintenance and the pleasure of the people.

That the Northwest passage could be made with comparative ease was one of the claims that he put forward, and he caused much laughter by telling how it might be done. When his sailors told him the ship could go no further, he went up to the masthead and if he saw no opening, he said, 'We had better stop.' And if they stopped for a while the opening soon came.

The whole of the northern archipelago has been annexed by him as a result of this trip—a territory of not less than 500,000 square miles in extent. He had left a stab on Melville Island announcing the formal taking possession of the whole of this archipelago. Nobody could dispute it, because Canada had the title deeds. He had brought them. Neither Peary nor Cook had accomplished so much. It is true, they got to the North Pole—or said they did. They got the North Pole, but the North Pole was an invisible point, the luxury of which Canada had not yet been able to afford.

He spoke of the tremendous value of the fisheries in the north, saying if Newfoundland came into the Canadian Federation, as she ought to do, Canada would be able to control the fish market of the world. What Canada ought also to have was the Greenland coast, now belonging to Denmark, which would give the control of these northern fishing grounds. He thought if the matter were put before the British government by Canada it might easily be obtained by means of negotiations by which Denmark would be offered other land in the Pacific in exchange.

He also spoke of the value of Arctic explorations as a means of foretelling the weather. For instance, he was able to foretell a fine open fall in Canada this year, because he left the ice 300 miles further north than usual.

As to the practicability of sending grain to Europe via Hudson's Bay, he said he was sure if suitable ships were put into commission on that route it would prove successful for three or four months in the year.

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ENGLISH GOLF STORIES.

Some of the Yarns Told in Britain's 1,500 Club Houses.

There are nearly 1,500 golf club houses in Great Britain and the Strand Magazine is trying to discover the funniest of the golf stories which are told in these haunts. Andrew Lang offers the following as his contribution:

"A determined player got into a sand pit and for a long time all that his opponent saw of him was only distinguishable through the dense clouds of sand made by the violent action of a niblick.

"At last the resolute veteran emerged from the pit, and his opponent, without expressing any surprise or condolence or annoyance at the delay, merely asked him how many he had played. Evidently the other was not in a revealing mood.

"'I went into that place,' he replied icily, 'at a quarter past 12 o'clock. It is now a quarter to 1. You are at liberty, sir, to form your own estimate.'"

The scene of another yarn was the links at Westward Ho, where two players were driving off from the fifteenth hole. One of them was possessed of a quiet, pawky kind of humor, while the other was of the hit-'em-high-and-often order.

Not knowing the course, the slasher asked his partner for the line to the hole, and was told to aim to Dr. S.——'s house, which was perched on the skyline. The slasher let out, and his ball was skied to an enormous height.

"You mistook me," said the quiet one. "I meant his earthly, not his heavenly habitation."

On the course at Biarritz there is a certain hole which can be reached in one shot from the tee. The green, however, is blind, lying over the crest of a hill. It is therefore customary to send a caddie forward to mark the ball.

On one occasion a golfer hit a good straight shot over the hill, the ball dropping dead on the line for the hole. Great was his rejoicing when coming up the hill to hear his caddie shouting that the ball was in the hole; indeed, the player was so pleased (never having performed the feat before) that he made the caddie a present of five francs.

The sequel to this event is remarkable. The story goes that on the following day no fewer than seven players on reaching this particular green found they had holed out from the tee!

The occasionally enlivening effect of golf was demonstrated in the case of an elderly Indian colonel, whose boast it was that he had a very tranquil disposition which nothing could ruffle. He took up golf, and for a long time his friends failed to notice any disturbance of the colonel's outward calm. But one day, when playing a foursome he got into a notorious Devil's Punchbowl bunker and spent a terrible fifteen minutes trying first to find his ball and then to play it out.

He tried every club in vain, and at last, glaring like a demon, he smashed them one after another across a jagged rock.

"What are you doing," cried out the party above.

"It's all right," he snorted. "It's—it's better to—break your clubs than to—lose your temper!"

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NEW BUNGALOW, Hillside Ave., lot 50x125, fenced; reception hall, parlor with grate and mantel, dining room, kitchen and pantry, 3 nice bedrooms and bath and toilet upstairs; price right, with small cash payment, balance monthly payments.

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6 ROOM BRICK HOUSE, modern, on John street; price $1,900, good terms.
NEW 6 ROOM HOUSE, fully modern, on Foul Bay car line, good large lot; price $2,200, good terms.
NEW 7 ROOM HOUSE, fully modern, on Ontario street; price $3,000, good terms.
6 ROOM COTTAGE, fully modern, on Pembroke street, facing new city park; price $1,900; $350 cash, balance to suit.
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News of the Province

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS FIFTY YEARS OLD

Jubilee Celebrated by Queens Avenue Methodist Church, New Westminster.

New Westminster, Dec. 6.—The Sunday school of the Queen's Avenue Methodist church, the oldest institution of its kind on the mainland of this province, celebrated its jubilee on Sunday, being exactly fifty years and one day from the date of the foundation of the school.

Queen's Avenue Methodist church is the descendent in direct succession of the old Methodist church in this city, almost if not quite the first building to be erected strictly for religious purposes in the province.

The school was founded on Sunday, December 4th, 1859, by Rev. E. White, father of Rev. Dr. White, now of this city. Rev. Dr. White was one of those in attendance at the school on that Sunday in December, 1859; besides the late Rev. Mr. White and the members of his family there were only four children in attendance at the school on that day of its opening, but once the school had been set going, the attendance soon picked up.

Rev. Dr. Robson of Vancouver, by whom the particulars as to the foundation of the school were supplied to Rev. C. W. Brown of Queen's Avenue Methodist church, states that at the time of the inauguration of the Sunday school here there were already on Vancouver Island one at Nanaimo, which had been established in 1857, by Cornelius Bryant, then a teacher in the public school there, and a second established a year later in Victoria. Vancouver Island was not then, however, a part of the province of British Columbia, and did not become so until ten years later, so that the school in New Westminster was really the first in the province of British Columbia.

WINTRY WEATHER IN SOOKE DISTRICT

Considerable Damage by Floods—Case of Ptomaine Poisoning.

(Special Correspondence.)

Sooke, Dec. 6.—The floods have subsided and the weather is now quite cold. There is a considerable quantity of snow on the hills around here.

The floods did considerable damage, carrying away the Muir creek bridge.

Mr. Charters, aided by the Hagen brothers, with their gasoline launch, picked up most of the logs which were set adrift. H. Philips has not been so fortunate with his logs and his loss will be considerable. He also suffered the loss of considerable fencing, which was washed away.

A case of ptomaine poisoning has occurred in the district, the victims being Mr. Fraser and Mrs. Charters.

OUTPUT OF MINES OF SOUTHWESTERN B. C.

Over Forty-seven Thousand Tons of Ore Shipped During Past Week.

Nelson, Dec. 6.—The following are the details of ore shipments and smelter receipts for the past week and year to date:

Ore Shipments.

Boundary.

	Week.	Year.
Granby	25,020	968,036
Snowshoe	3,087	148,229
Mother Lode	11,528	298,414
Other mines	....	8,218
Total	40,235	1,422,927

Rossland.

	Week.	Year.
Centre Star	2,646	164,854
Le Roi No. 2	603	28,597
Le Roi No. 2 (Milled)	260	12,220
Le Roi	165	10,748
Velvet	23	61
Other mines	....	300
Total	3,637	216,340

Slocan-Kootenay.

	Week.	Year.
Queen (milled)	420	19,950
Granite-Poorman (milled)	250	11,850
Whitewater Deep (milled)	700	33,400
Kootenay Bell (milled)	70	3,350
Second Relief (milled)	145	6,890
Nugget (milled)	110	5,230
Bluebell (milled)	900	42,800
Silver King	60	2,217
St. Eugene	319	19,498
Alice	34	78
North Star	132	2,006
Blue Bell	83	4,507
Van Roi	65	1,049
Granite-Poorman	33	414
Standard	68	508
Richmond-Eureka	100	2,539
Eastmount	34	166
Whitewater Deep	21	2,901
Whitewater	22	1,442
Ferguson	33	161
Rambler Cariboo	21	944
Other mines	....	12,686
Total	3,610	176,171
Total shipments for the week, tons		47,482
and for the year to date, tons		1,815,938

Smelter Receipts.

	Week.	Year.
Granby, Grand Forks	25,020	968,486
Consolidated Co., Trail	8,173	393,881
B. C. Cop. Co., Greenwood	11,528	305,947
Le Roi, Northport	....	12,761
Total	44,721	1,681,075

AWARDED DAMAGES.

Vancouver, Dec. 6.—A special jury sitting under Mr. Justice Clement awarded damages to the extent of $750 to the plaintiff in the case of Bennett vs. the B. C. Electric Railway Company. The plaintiff, while crossing a street on May 9th last, came in contact with a street car and had a leg broken and some ribs fractured. He had been crossing at the back of one car, when another struck him. The defendants alleged contributory negligence. The plaintiff's original claim was for $5,000.

SKY-SCRAPERS NOT WANTED IN VANCOUVER

Tall Building Opposed by the Property Owners' Association.

Nelson, Dec. 6.—The aspirations of Vancouver will be seriously opposed by the Property Onwers' Association, which decided at its meeting in the Board of Trade rooms that it would not be the thing for this city to have any high buildings. The resolution which was passed places the limit at ten storeys and 150 feet. In the meantime, before the secretary of the association approaches the city council he will secure more information on the subject from the city of Spokane where the authorities have expressed their rooted objection to towering structures, by the passage of a by-law prohibiting the erection of a building over sixteen storeys in height.

FRUIT GROWERS ORGANIZE.

Nelson, Dec. 6.—At a well attended meeting of the syndicate of fruit growers who marketed small fruits by the co-operative method the past season, held at the board of trade offices, with C. W. Busk in the chair, those present organized themselves into a committee to take up the organizing of an association for the purposes of co-operation in marketing fruit, and in purchasing boxes, fertilizer and other necessary supplies for the cultivation and packing of fruit. The details of the organization will be carefully worked out, but the general plan operated upon the past season will be followed. In the meantime a canvass will be made to discover how large a membership can be secured for the association.

To promote the undertaking, E. K. Beeston, who acted as agent of the syndicate the past season, will probably visit some of the principal fruit growing points in the district, Harrop, Crawford Bay, Thrums and others and hold meetings.

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CIVIC NOMINATIONS.

J. A. Lee Opposes Mayor Keary in Contest at New Westminster.

New Westminster, Dec. 6.—Civic nominations to-day were as follows:

For mayor, Mayor W. H. Keary and John A. Lee.

For aldermen (seven to be elected)—J. Carter Smith, A. W. Gray, George Adams, John J. Johnston, John B. Jardine, A. Hardman, M. Sinclair, J. Cameron, H. Gilley, J. N. Aitchison, C. A. Welsh, J. C. Blair, T. H. Smith, J. S. Bryson, R. Watson.

For school trustees (two to be elected for two years)—T. J. Trapp, P. Peebles and Dr. T. B. Green.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I, the undersigned, intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, B. C., at the next sitting thereof, for a transfer of the liquor license now held by me for and in respect of the Colonist Hotel, corner of Simcoe street and Douglas street, in the City of Victoria, B. C., unto Job Foster.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 28th day of October, 1909.

W. A. GATT.

"LIQUOR LICENSE ACT, 1900."

I, Josephine E. Wark, hereby give notice that, one month from date hereof, I will apply to the Superintendent of Provincial Police at Victoria for a renewal of my license to sell intoxicating liquors at the premises known as the Strathcona Hotel, situated at Shawnigan Lake, B. C.

JOSEPHINE E. WARK.

Dated this 16th day of November, 1909.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the transfer books and register of members of the Portland Canal Mining Company, Limited, Non-Personal Liability, will be closed from December the 3rd to December the 18th, 1909, both days inclusive.

E. F. MILLER,
Secretary.

Duncans, B. C., 30th Nov., 1909.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE JAQUES, LATE OF VICTORIA, B. C., DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the "Trustees and Executors Act," to all persons claiming to be creditors of the above-named deceased, or having goods in his hands for repair or otherwise, to deliver to the undersigned on or before the 5th day of January, A. D. 1910, full particulars of their claim, verified by statutory declaration. After said date the executors will proceed to distribute the assets according to law.

Dated at Victoria, British Columbia, this 30th day of November, 1909.

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K. OF P.—No. 1, Far West Lodge, Friday, K. of P. Hall, cor. Douglas and Pandora Sts. J. L. Smith, K. of R. & S. Box 544.

VICTORIA, No. 17, K. of P., meets at K. of P. Hall, every Thursday. D. S. Mowat, K. of R. & S. Box 161.

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WE ARE REVISING our old property lists and listing new properties for our advertising campaign, which will commence Monday, Dec. 13th. List your property now. We have established a temporary listing office at the old Tourist Association's Rooms on Fort street. Sales office, Rooms 4 and 6, Mahon Bldg. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

TO RENT—New six roomed house, all modern conveniences, on Johnson street, near Vancouver, $20 per month. Apply 1110 North Park street. d9

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FOR SALE—Section 25, Highlands District, 160 acres, crown granted, 60 acres good bottom land, fishing lake on property, good hunting; price $3,200. Write P. O. Box 983, Vancouver, B. C. n15

LIST YOUR PROPERTY with us now and take advantage of our big advertising campaign commencing Monday, December 13th. Our listing office is located in the old Tourist Association's Rooms, Fort street. Sales office, Rooms 4 and 6, Mahon Bldg. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

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GREENHOUSES, flat bottom boats, long ladders, steps, meat safes, dog houses, in stock and made to order. Jones, Capital Carpenter and Jobbing Factory, 1003 Yates St., cor. of Vancouver St.

FOR SALE—Lady's locket and chain, $2.50; up-to-date pearl and black earrings, $1.25; banjo breast stands, 75c.; gent's two-picture lockets, $1.25; imit. diamond rings, $2.50; English solid gold buckle rings, $7.50; collar buttons, sets, 10c. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, phone 1747, 572 Johnson St., 6 doors below Government, Victoria, B.C.

FOR ALTERATIONS, repairs and jobbing, call on [illegible] carpenter and jobber, corner Fort and Quadra. Tel. L1752.

CHOICE FIR DOORS, sash, mouldings, etc., at lowest prices. Moore & Whittington, Yates street.

FOR SALE—One first-class cow, newly calved; ten small pigs; also buggies, light wagons, horses and harness. Apply to I. J. J. Fisher's Carriage Shop, 642 Discovery, or Mitchell street, Oak Bay.

Rooms for Housekeeping

TO LET—Furnished housekeeping rooms, suitable for bachelors or married couple, no children, $10 per month. Apply 630 Princess avenue. d10

FURNISHED HOUSEKEEPING ROOMS—Cheap. Opp. Empress Hotel, 628 Humboldt street. d9

BED, bed-sitting and housekeeping rooms, bath, electric light. Fort street, Box 781, Times. d31

TO LET—Nicely furnished housekeeping rooms. 900 Gorge road. d12

Wanted—Miscellaneous

WANTED—For cash, a cheap lot or two, near Gorge. Write 714 Blanchard. d11

WANTED—Furnished house, for six months or more, close in, must have four or five bedrooms, possession about Christmas. Apply Green & Burdick Bros. d7

WANTED—Teacher for Sandwick public school, duties to commence January 3rd, 1910. Apply to L. Cliffe, Secy. Board of School Trustees, Sandwick, B. C. d9

CLOTHING WANTED—Highest prices for all kinds of second-hand garments. Drop card and I will call. J. Katz, 1417 Store street.

For Sale—Machinery

MACHINERY—Machine shops completely equipped by us with most modern high speed machinery. We are agents for the leading Canadian and American manufacturers. Canadian Fairbanks Co., Ltd., Vancouver.

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For Sale—Houses

REAL ESTATE LISTING OFFICE of N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd., located at the old Tourist Association's Rooms, Fort street. If you have property for sale, list it now. Sales office, Rooms 4 and 6 Mahon Bldg. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

FOR SALE—New 8 roomed cottage, nicely situated in best residential part of James Bay. 141 Government street. d11

FOR SALE—5 room cottage, modern, close to school and car, $1,400, terms, fine view. Gidley, 303 Mary St. d8

FOR SALE—Eight roomed house overlooking Beacon Hill Park; all conveniences; fruit and ornamental trees. Price $3,150. Phone R1496.

Help Wanted—Female

WANTED—A good competent servant for family of three. Apply P. O. Box 1554, city. d8

MOTHER'S HELP WANTED—Young preferred; sleep at home. Box 814, Times Office. d9

WANTED—General servant. Apply Mrs. Fleming, Foul Bay road. d7

WANTED—A competent cook, good salary. Apply 920 Yates. d2 tf

WANTED—Girl for light house work. Apply Mrs. W. G. Lemm, 2528 Rose St. d8

WANTED—A daily governess for girl of thirteen. Apply Box 745, Times Office.

WANTED—Apprentices to dressmaking, and improver to work Singer machine. Mrs. Stuart, 566 Michigan street. d10

Help Wanted—Male

BOY WANTED. Apply 564 Yates. d8

WANTED—An apprentice to learn plumbing. J. H. Warner & Co., Ltd., 831 Fisguard street.

WANTED—Stripper, boy or girl, at once. Apply V. I. Cigar Factory, Johnson St. n18 tf

Rooms and Board

THREE UNFURNISHED ROOMS TO LET—Bathroom, electric light, Mears street; ladies preferred. Apply 805 Fort street. d10

PRIVATE BOARDING HOUSE for men, home comforts, terms moderate. Stanley House, 516 Hillside avenue, corner Bridge street.

THE POPLARS, corner house, facing Empress Hotel, room and board, moderate. d31

NICELY FURNISHED ROOMS. 949 Fort. d16

FURNISHED ROOMS—Breakfast if desired. 716 Market street, carline. d9

LARGE furnished front room for two men; also housekeeping room. Cheap. 1023 Pandora.

THE "OAKS"—The only modern rooming house in Victoria. Steam heat, hot and cold running water and private telephone in all rooms. Every thing new and up-to-date. Special monthly rates to permanent roomers. 817 McClure St., corner Blanchard. Collinson and McClure Sts. Tel. 2112. J. Higuera, Prop.

MAPLEHURST, 1937 Blanchard street. Strictly white home cooking. Phone 452.

Situations Wanted—Male

CAPABLE BUSINESS MAN (33), good typist, bookkeeper and cashier, at 6 experienced as office manager and secretary in manufacturing, merchants' and estate businesses, wishes position shortly. W., Box 213, Post Office, Victoria. d18

Lost and Found

LOST—On Wednesday, a brooch, bird set with eight pearls. Finder please return to Times Office and receive reward. n26 tf

For Sale—Lots

WE ARE GOING TO ADVERTISE the choicest Victoria properties at the lowest prices. If you have any list it with us now. Listing office at the old Tourist Association's Rooms, Fort street. Sales office, Rooms 4 and 6, Mahon Bldg. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

A WORKINGMAN'S CHANCE—Good building lot on Chapman street, near Linden, $315; another one on the Willows car line, 60x120, for $340; easy terms on both. T. P. McConnell, cor. Government and Fort streets, upstairs. d6

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WE WANT choice building lots, modern residential properties and good farm land. If you have anything that will fill the bill list it with us by Dec. 11th. Listing office at the old Tourist Association's Rooms. Sales office, Rooms 4 and 6, Mahon Bldg. N. B. Maysmith & Co., Ltd.

FOR SALE—Fine lot, Oak Bay avenue, 60x126, near junction. Price $950. Phone R1496.

Personal

WANTED—Gentleman or lady (elderly preferred), with capital, to purchase half interest in fruit and chicken ranch. Apply Box 835, this office. d7

WINDSOR CAFE—Under new management. Best 25c. diner in city, from 11.30 to 8 p. m. Meal tickets, $4.50. 906 Government street, opp. Post Office. F. W. Harrison, Prop. j4

PRUNING, etc., by J. T. Higgins, florist and gardener, Foul Bay road, Oak Bay P. O., city. d7

MANUSCRIPTS, documents, etc., carefully typewritten and punctuated by expert proofreader. Box 568, Times Office. d26

MRS. F. V. JACKSON, medium and psychometrist, 1318 Douglas street, Pullman Hotel. d16

R. H. KNEESHAW, medium and healer, 734 Caledonia Ave. Sittings daily. Circle Thursday night. d13

WE TEACH THE BARBER TRADE to men and women thoroughly. Examinations, diplomas. Wages paid while learning. Low tuition rate. Write for free particulars. National Barber College, 68 Washington street, Seattle. d31

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FOR SALE—Good wood, 4 ft., $3.50; cut, $4.50. Burt's Wood Yard. tf

READY TO BURN—Clean mill wood, large and small, to suit. Phone Hull, [illegible]

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For Sale—Livestock

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred bull terrier puppies. J. F. Campbell, 1335 Hornby street, Vancouver. d11

FIRST-CLASS TEAM FOR SALE, $550; also cheaper team. Hull, cor. Bridge and David. d26

FOR SALE—Cheap, heifer, eighteen months old. Address P. O. Box 449.

COWS FOR SALE—H. M. Walker, 3153 Delta street. Phone A1794.

Situations Wanted—Female

TWO SCOTCH GIRLS want work by the day; houses cleaned before occupation. Phone 2262. d11

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES.

PORTER & CO., BUSINESS BROKERS, Room 7, Mahon Building. Phone 1612. "It Pays to See Us."

GROCERY BUSINESS—This must be sold, as important business calls owner East. If you want to get into business now is the time.

SALOON BUSINESS, in heart of city. Unusual opportunity to get an old-established, big paying business.

BUTCHER BUSINESS, which can be handled with very little cash.

BOARDING HOUSE—A proposition we can recommend, consisting of 10 rooms, low rent, all furniture in first-class condition. Very centrally located. Sickness reason for selling.

CIGAR STAND, doing nice trade, can be handled right. Low rent and cash business.

ALDERMEN WITHDRAW THEIR RESIGNATIONS

Make Statements Regarding Defeat of Power House By-law.

Kelowna, Dec. 6.—At the last regular meeting of the city council Ald. Bailey said that having ascertained that the powerhouse reconstruction by-law had been defeated by the use of misrepresentations and that the vote was therefore not really representative of the citizens in general, he had decided to withdraw his resignation tendered at the previous session.

Ald. Roweliffe made a similar statement, and said the defeat of the by-law had apparently been accomplished by the efforts of about half a dozen people. He thought when the citizens in an open municipal meeting had sanctioned the expenditure there should have been no question about passing the by-law.

The mayor said one critic had made the remark that the council should have waited until a by-law was passed before undertaking to rebuild the power house, but in that event he thought the council would have been subjected to even stronger criticism. The city would have been all the longer without fire protection, the value of which was demonstrated at the fire which destroyed the old Raymur hall.

SENT TO PENITENTIARY.

New Westminster, Dec. 6.—"Ask the governor of the jail, to give him the very hardest labor he can devise." With these words, Magistrate Corbound this morning imposed a sentence of five months on Frank McIntyre, who with his half-breed wife was found guilty of having conducted a disorderly house. The woman will be returned to her home in Oregon. The couple had been here eight weeks.

—Cleaned Currants, 3 lbs. for 25c. Mixed Peel, 15c per lb. Seeded Raisins, 10c per packet, or 11 for $1.00. Sultana Raisins, 10c per lb. E. B. Jones, corner Cook and North Park streets. Phone 712.

DELTA WILL ABOLISH THE WARD SYSTEM

By-law Providing for Election by General Vote is Before Council.

New Westminster, Dec. 6.—The next municipal elections in the municipality of Delta will see the ward system abolished and all the members of the council elected by general vote, as is the method now used in the election of reeve. This change was practically assured by the passing through its first reading at the last council meeting of the by-law, recently introduced by Councillor Gibbie, providing for abolishing of the system of representation in the council by wards.

Sufficient names have been attached to the petitions that have been circulated through the municipality in favor of election of council by general vote, to allow council to go ahead with the by-law. Before the new system could be adopted it was necessary to have the consent of ratepayers, who represented at least one-half of the assessed value of the municipality. The amount of assessment already represented by the names signed to the petitions run to $2,200,000, which amount is well over the requirement.

The next elections fall due about the middle of January.

NEW WHARF BUILT AT KOOTENAY LANDING

Big Game is Plentiful in Creston District—Indians' Long Slide.

Creston, Dec. 6.—Deer this fall are exceptionally plentiful near Creston, and the ranchers are all eating venison in consequence. Mountain goat can also be found in great numbers on the very high mountains across the Kootenay river and an Indian brought in several fine specimens of mountain goat skins for sale.

Arthur Morritt, formerly a contractor of Creston, came in the other day from Kootenay landing, where he has been engaged for the past two weeks in putting in a new wharf. He says that on this work fifty men were employed and divers were employed to work on the piling twenty feet in the water. The work is now completed and Mr. Morritt has left for Alberta, where he will be engaged on other railway work.

An Indian named Andclap while out hunting at Kirchner a few days ago, missed his footing while on top of a high mountain and actually slid to the bottom of the big hill. It is stated by onlookers that this native son shot like an arrow fully a quarter of a mile down the mountain side. Strange to say, the Indian was not hurt in the least except some scratches on his knee.

THE AGONIES OF HADES.

Aren't supposed to be worse than a bad corn. For years the standard remedy has been Putnam's Corn Extractor. It painlessly removes the worst corn in 24 hours. Try it.

WEDDED AT KAMLOOPS.

Kamloops, Dec. 6. — St. Andrew's church was the scene of the marriage of Miss Edla Lydia Linner and Mr. Wm. H. Brown, both of whom have for some years been residents of this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. A. Wyllie, pastor of the church. She was attended by Miss Jennie Lawrence. Mr. Chas. E. Davis performed the duties of groomsman.

Italy every year uses 1,800 tons of orange blossoms and 1,000 tons of roses in the manufacture of perfumery.

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LAYER FIGS, ¾ in., per lb 25c
PULLED FIGS, in baskets, 2 for 25c
PULLED FIGS, per glass 35c
LAYER FIGS, 10-lb. box ..$1.50
Per small box 15c
FARD DATES, per lb. 15c
HALLOWI DATES, per lb. ..10c
MALAGA TABLE RAISINS, per lb. 50c and 25c
CALIFORNIA TABLE RAISINS, per lb. 25c and 15c
NAVEL ORANGES, per dozen, 50c, 35c and 25c
MALAGA GRAPES, per lb. ..35c

THIS WEEK'S BARGAIN
Seeded Raisins, 3 pounds for 25c

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UP-STAIRS.

Stewart Williams & Co.

Duly instructed by Mrs. J. E. Doyen, will sell by public auction, at her residence, 1189 Yates street, at the corner of School street, the whole of her

Household Furniture and Effects

TO-MORROW, 2 p.m. Sharp

Including:

DRAWING ROOM—Two handsome solid Oak Rockers upholstered in Morocco, Mission Oak Armchair, upholstered in Leather, Oak Rocker, Sofa Cushions, Oak Bookshelf, Austrian Bentwood Chairs, Handsome Lace Curtains, Brussels Carpet about 30 yards, Rugs, Screen, Pictures, Ferns, Books, Jardinieres, etc.

BEDROOM I.—Double Iron Bedstead, Spring and Top Mattresses, Quarter Cut Bureau and Washstand, Toilet Ware, Mission Oak Lady's Writing Table, Wardrobe, Wicker Chairs, Oc. Table, Coal Scuttle, Brussels Carpet, Lace Curtains, etc.

HALL—Mission Oak Hall Rack, Umbrella Stand, Chairs, Carpet, etc.

BATHROOM — Inlaid Linoleum, Chairs, etc.

BEDROOM II.—Double Iron Bedstead, Spring and Top Mattresses, Oak Bureau and Washstand, Toilet Ware, Large Wardrobe, Oak Centre Table, Lounge, Cushions, Brrussels Carpet, Rugs, Curtains, etc.

KITCHEN—Nearly new Malleable Range, 3-Plate Gas Cooker, 3 Kitchen Tables, Cooking Utensils, Chairs, Clothes Basket, Wringer, Tubs, Ash Bin, Carpet Sweeper, Ironing Board, Linoleum, Carpets, etc.

BEDROOM III.—Double Iron Bedstead, Spring and Top Mattresses, Oak Bureau and Washstand, Toilet Ware, Oak Rocker, Bentwood Chairs, Brussels Carpet, Rugs, Lace Curtains, etc.

SECOND KITCHEN—Nearly new Gas Range, Meat Safe, Cooking Utensils, Kitchen Table, Chairs, Rugs, Crockery, etc.

LANDING—Carpet, Lounge, Heater, etc.

BEDROOM IV.—Double Bed Spring and Top Mattresses, Quarter Cut Oak Bureau and Washstand, Oc. Tables, Rockers, Bentwood Chairs, Brussels Carpet, Curtains, etc.

BEDROOM V.—Double Iron Bedstead, Spring and Top Mattresses, Quarter Cut Oak Bureau and Stand, Toilet Ware, Cosy Corner, Wicker Rocker, Bentwood Chairs, Oak Centre Table, Brussels Carpet (nearly 30 yards), Fire Screen, Pictrues, 2 pairs Lace Curtains, etc.

BEDROOM VI.—Double Bedstead, Spring and Top Mattreses, Oak Bureau and Washstand, Toilet Ware, Handsome Oak Combination Washstand and Dressing Table, two Rockers, Bentwood Chairs, etc.

HOUSEHOLD LINEN — Including Sheets, Blankets, Pillows, Towels, Pillow Slips, Bed Covers, Bed Spreads, etc., etc.

Stewart Williams, the Auctioneer

—The regular bi-annual examinations for certificates of competency, as provincial assayers began yesterday at the department of mines rooms, and will occupy the entire week to complete the writing, and the board of examiners is composed of Messrs. W. Fleet Robertson, H. Carmichael and D. E. Whittaker.

KING EDWARD VISITED B. C. FRUIT EXHIBIT

His Majesty Congratulated the Province on Its Fine Showing.

King Edward visited the B. C. fruit exhibit in London yesterday and spoke in terms of high praise of the product of this province. He showed his appreciation further by accepting several boxes of the fruit.

In a cable received late yesterday from Hon. J. H. Turner, agent general in London, this visit is mentioned. Mr. Turner's message was as follows:

London, Dec. 6, 1909.

"His Majesty the King to-day paid a special visit to the British Columbia fruit exhibit at the agricultural hall, Islington, and expressed great appreciation, asking numerous questions and congratulating the government upon the excellence of the display. He also accepted several boxes.

(Signed) "TURNER."

The Department of Agriculture is advised from Vernon that at the recent apple show in Spokane the Okanagan and Kootenay exhibits took 25 firsts and 29 seconds.

NEW GRAND THEATRE.

The star act at the New Grand theatre this week is the unicycle act by Artur Hill and Slyvia Sylviany, and it can be written down as a wonderful performance from the start to the end. What Hill can do on a single wheel beggars description, but when it comes to doing the same things over with a woman weighing all of one hundred and fifty pounds on his shoulders and held at arm's length, the act becomes a marvel. The feature of a great feature is the finale when the man rides down a flight of stairs on a single wheel with the woman sitting on his shoulders and her toes under his armpits. He not only rides to the stage, but circles the wheel round and brings it to a standstill in the centre of the footlights before allowing the woman to alight. His other feats are almost as marvellous, and comprise riding an ordinary cartwheel down the flight of steps, bringing it to the front of the stage and spinning round half a dozen times like a top before stopping. On the unicycle he stands upright on the front wheel and holds the woman on his head where she rises and assumes a pose standing on his crown. The act got a splendid reception yesterday afternoon.

McLinn, a loose-wire artist, does a complete undressing act while on the wire, and is very skilful. O. U. Fultz, with two cornet solos and a few jokes, is heard to advantage and the other acts are up to the standard. Thomas J. Price sings "I'd Live and I Would Die For You," and a couple of good moving pictures are shown at the end of the bill.

IMPERSONATED JUDGE IN BERLIN HIGH COURT

Forged Distress Warrants and Extorted Large Sums.

After bringing off a coup which compares in cool audacity with the historic Koepenick affair three young Germans are now awaiting the penalty of their knavery.

Their exploit consisted in penetrating the precincts of the Berlin Civil court, donning the judges' gowns, and arming themselves with the means of extorting money out of people who had come within the jurisdiction of the courts. Thus they collected £200.

The idea originated with Lothar Ludke, a young man of about twenty-one, who had been a dentist and a waiter. For some time he was employed in a subordinate capacity in the large and handsome police presidency which houses the principal civil courts. He left this post to serve a sentence of nine months' imprisonment for theft, and appears, probably under the inspiration of Voigt, the captain of [illegible] solitude in thinking out some means of turning the engine of the law to his own advantage.

Out of jail he enlisted in his cause Willi Warnitzki, a cyclist, and Hans Meyer, a cook. About the end of last month, just after the judges had risen about 4 o'clock one afternoon, the three, all about the same age, mingled with the groups of witnesses and other people who were left in the public corridors. Presently they found themselves alone in a stretch of passage, and then it was that Ludke's intimate acquaintance with the place came in useful to the trio. Unnoticed they opened the door of one of the judges' retiring rooms. It was unoccupied, and a row of black robes was hanging on pegs on the wall. In an instant they had taken down three of these and donned them, together with the judicial birettas.

This done, they sallied into the corridors once more, bound for one of the rooms where the preliminary examination of cases is gone into, and where there were cupboards full of papers giving all details. Their immunity from detection appears less remarkable when it is remembered that in these particular law courts there are 350 judges, forty public prosecutors, and eighty-four commercial arbitrators, all of whom wear the same headdress and costumes.

In the first room they came to charwomen busy cleaning out, but before the majesty of the judicial robes they beat a hasty retreat, leaving the trio in full possession. They took out a few bundles of papers at random, and, grouped round the table, were soon absorbed in an examination of the various documents.

Now and then an attendant darted in unceremoniously, and seeing, as he thought, three judges still deeply engaged in unravelling some knotty legal point, stammered a confused apology for his intrusion, and retired.

Within a short time they had possessed themselvts of quite a number of papers showing the names of persons whose property was about to be distrained upon, and it did not take long to fill in blank distress warrants and endorse them with the court stamp. They also obtained a number of the forms on which the courts are accustomed to demand from litigants contributions towards the judicial expenses already incurred in their suits.

These were filled in with names and addresses taken from the bundles of papers, and with sums varying from £10 to upwards of £50, subscribed with imaginary signatures, and impressed with the official stamp.

On official paper an order was drawn up in official language conferring on the bearer power to execute the warrants of the court, and that magic symbol, the official stamp, was imprinted also upon this.

After five hours they threw off their gowns and strolled out. To give themselves the necessary professional appearance, which was advisable to account for their presence in the courts at that advanced hour, they carried away under their arms a number of valuable law tomes, which were disposed of at the nearest second-hand book shop.

Provided with their forged official documents, they then proceeded to extort money from various victims, all of whom fell into the trap, and parted with substantial sums in the belief that they were paying public officials sent to obtain the money. Their audacious fraud succeeded in thirty-one cases, and the total amount plundered was close on £200.

Dainty Linens For Xmas Tables

Choose Some For Yours---Here

IF there is a table napery need to be supplied for Christmas, this is the place to fill such wants. Certainly you'll require dainty linens—the "feast" wouldn't be half as good otherwise. So if you aren't abundantly supplied, let us show you our offerings in imported linens.

We import direct from the best Irish mills, and our superior qualities and unbeatable values have built for us a magnificent business in table linens. We guarantee the quality of every piece, and for materials of such quality these prices speak for themselves.

UNBLEACHED TABLE LINENS at, per yard, $1 down to .....35¢
BLEACHED TABLE LINENS, at, per yard, $1.25 down to.....65¢
TABLE CLOTHS, 2 x 2 yards, at, each, $4.25 to $2.50
TABLE CLOTHS, 2 x 2½ yards, from, each $3.00
TABLE CLOTHS, 2 x 3 yards, from, each $3.75
TABLE NAPKINS, from, per dozen, $7.50 to $1.00

Inspect Our Winter Bedding Now

While on the second floor don't fail to inspect the many offerings in warm bedding for the winter season. No other establishment shows such an assortment of the good kinds and none can offer better values than our large, direct purchases make possible. Pleased to show you this magnificent line at any time.

Join the Movement for Earlier Xmas Shopping

Hundreds of early Christmas shoppers have thronged this establishment during the past week. Christmas shopping has begun in earnest. Why not join in this early Christmas shopping movement and help make the matter of purchasing gifts easier for you and for the shopkeepers? If everybody would join heartily in this movement this city would be a pleasanter place to live during the week preceding Christmas.

We are ready with a grand assortment of gift things. Fortunately we received our Christmas purchases before any interruption of traffic. Result is the finest collection of China in the West.

Some of Yesterday's New Arrivals in Dainty China

Two Admirable Gift Suggestions in These Tete-a-Tete Sets

THESE two new styles in tete-a-tete Tea Sets offer two admirable gift suggestions. Send one to a lady friend and you'll win her blessing—a blessing that'll be refreshed every time she uses this set, and that'll be quite often. Set consists of covered cream, covered sugar, cream, two cups and saucers and a tray. The china is of splendid quality and the two decorations in which we have these are pleasing. One is a pretty clover and the other a crimson band and gold treatment. The shapes are the newest and certainly out of the ordinary. An ideal gift piece.

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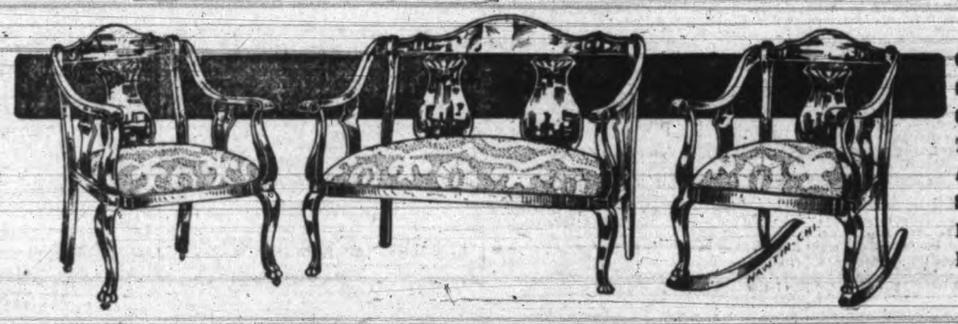

Choose the Gift To-day And we Shall Deliver Later.

Choose a Piece of Parlor Furniture

Send it as an Xmas Gift to Your Own or Friend's Parlor

SEND a piece of parlor furniture to your own or your friend's home and you can feel satisfied that you have sent something that will be appreciated. Choose it from this stock of ours and you'll make assurance doubly sure, for our splendid styles are bound to please. The prices will make you happy—you'll save in the buying.

We upholster the greater number of parlor pieces we show and the workmanship is therefore the very best. Choose your own coverings and let us do the work. Or if you have some chair or settee of special design you would like, let our contract department figure on the work. An efficient staff ever ready to give prompt and satisfactory service.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 7.—5 a. m.—The storm on the Coast last night developed rapidly and covered a vast area from the northern coast to California, its centre being at the entrance to the Straits, Tatoosh reporting a wind velocity of 90 miles. Owing to the storm, many reports are missing; light snow fell at New Westminster and light sleet in this district. In the prairie provinces an extensive high area is central in Alberta, snow has fallen in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and zero temperatures are general.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Wednesday.

Victoria and vicinity—Moderate to fresh easterly and southerly winds, partly cloudy, with occasional sleet or rain.

Lower Mainland—Southerly and easterly winds, chiefly cloudy, with occasional sleet or rain.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.51; temperature, 33; minimum, 34; wind, 20 miles E.; rain, trace; weather, part cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.58; temperature, 30; minimum, 28; wind, 12 miles S. E.; snow, .06; weather, snowing.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.86; temperature, 10; minimum, 2; wind, 4 miles S.W.; weather, cloudy.

Edmonton—Barometer, 30.64; temperature, 26; minimum, 28; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Winnipeg—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, 8 below; minimum, 8 below; wind, 16 miles N.; snow, .27; weather, cloudy.

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